

**STEEL STERLING MAN OF STEEL**

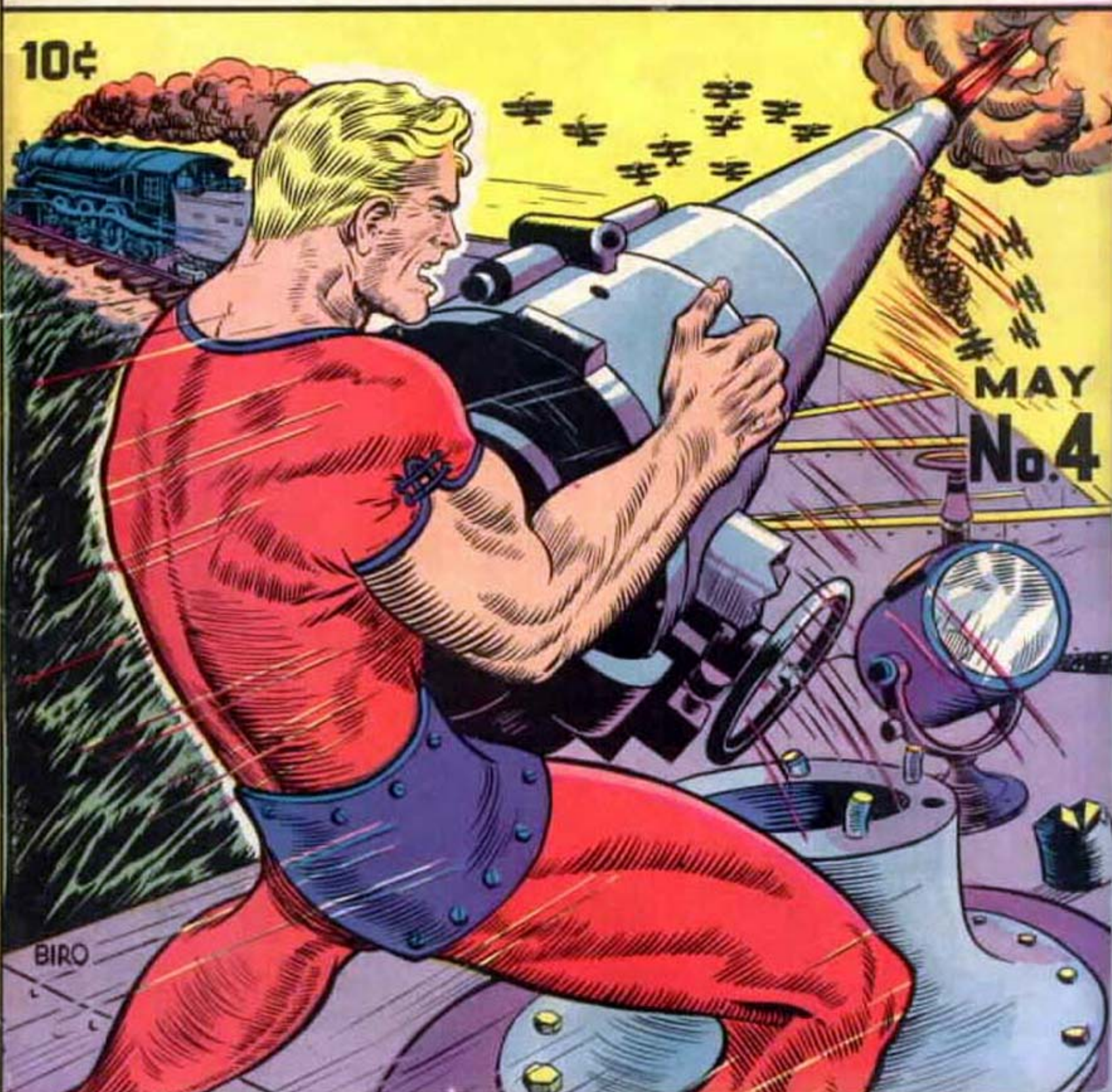
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# STREEL STREALLINGE

# MAN OF STEEL

BIRO

WHEN HIS FATHER WAS KILLED BY THE UNDERWORLD, JOHN STERLING BEGAN DANGEROUS EXPERIMENTS TO PROTECT HIMSELF FROM THE SAME FATE. HE RISKED DEATH BY DIVING INTO A CAULDRON OF SEETHING CHEMICALS AND MOLTEN STEEL!... HE EMERGED, POWER AND WITH ALL THE STRENGTH, POWER AND MAGNETISM OF STEEL. TO STAY CLEAR OF THE LAW, HE POSES AS JOHN STERLING, PRIVATE DETECTIVE, AND TWIN BROTHER OF THE NOTORIOUS STEEL.



JUST IN TIME. I WAS JUST LEAVING!

JOHN, ALL THE RADIUM HAS BEEN STOLEN FROM DAD'S HOSPITAL!

DORA CUMMINGS PAYS THE PRIVATE DETECTIVE A HURRIED VISIT!



AT THAT MOMENT...

WHAT IS THIS? WE'RE ON AN EMERGENCY CALL!

NO KIDDING! WE SENT THAT CALL, SAWBONES!



YOU'LL NEVER GET AWAY WITH THIS!

SHUT UP AND GET UNDRESSED!



I FEEL LIKE A MUMMY!

YOU KNOW WHAT TO DO, SPIKE, ONCE YOU GET INTO THE HOSPITAL!



IN THE HOSPITAL, THAT NIGHT.....



SPIKE PUTS THE PLAN INTO ACTION!



WHAT WAS THAT?



RADIUM — MORE PRECIOUS THAN DIAMONDS!



.... AND DAD IS SUSPECTED OF STEALING THE RADIUM HIMSELF. NOT ONLY THAT, BUT THERE ARE LIFE AND DEATH CASES WHICH NEED RADIUM TREATMENT IMMEDIATELY!

YOU'VE GOT TO HELP ME!

BACK IN NEW YORK....



THIS'LL SHOW THAT DAME AND HER PRIVATE SNOOP!

HERE THEY COME!



LOOK OUT!



WHOEVER STOLE THAT RADIUM KNOWS I'VE COME TO YOU FOR HELP!

IF I EVER GOT MY HANDS ON THOSE RATS, I'D SHOW THEM.....



GET INTO THIS CAR! QUICK!

DO AS THEY SAY!



Y-YES, S-S-SIR!

LAY OFF THIS RADIUM BUSINESS, SEE! NEXT TIME WE WON'T MISS LIKE WE DID WITH DAT SAFE!



JUST REMEMBER TO BE GOOD, AND YOU WON'T GET HURT!

OUCH!



BOY! YOU SURE SHOWED THEM!

WELL--- I---ER--- WAS JUST USING STRATEGY!



NOW THINGS START TO MOVE.

LATER, AFTER DORA HAS GONE HOME DISGUSTED...



THOSE CROOKS WILL LEAD ME TO THEIR HEADQUARTERS!

STEEL STERLING MAGNETIZES HIMSELF TO THE THUG'S CAR, AND PURSUES THEM THROUGH THE AIR!



BUSINESS MUST BE GOOD— THAT'S A SWANKY JOINT THEY'RE GOING INTO!



HELLO, BOSS!

THE THUGS CONTACT THE RADIUM KING!

WE TOOK CARE OF JOHN STERLING AND DORA CUMMINGS!



HOWDY, BOYS, COME AND GET IT!

IT'S.... STEEL STERLING!

AFTER LOOKING IN MANY OF THE WINDOWS, THE MAN OF STEEL LOCATES THE THUGS' APARTMENT!



GEE, YOU'RE TOUGH GUYS!



NOW ALL TOGETHER BOYS, SAY HELLO TO YOUR BOSS!

H-H-H-HELLO-O-O-O-O

BUR-R-R-P

OOOOF



SOMETHING MUST HAVE GONE WRONG— SOUNDS LIKE STATIC ON THE OTHER END!

ONE MAN SLIPS LOOSE ----

LET ME OUTTA HERE!

WAIT A MINUTE..



LET'S TALK THIS THING OVER!



HELP!



THANKS — DADDY'S LITTLE HELPER!

OOF!

UGH!

NOW IT'S TIME FOR BABY TO GO ROCK-A-BYE!



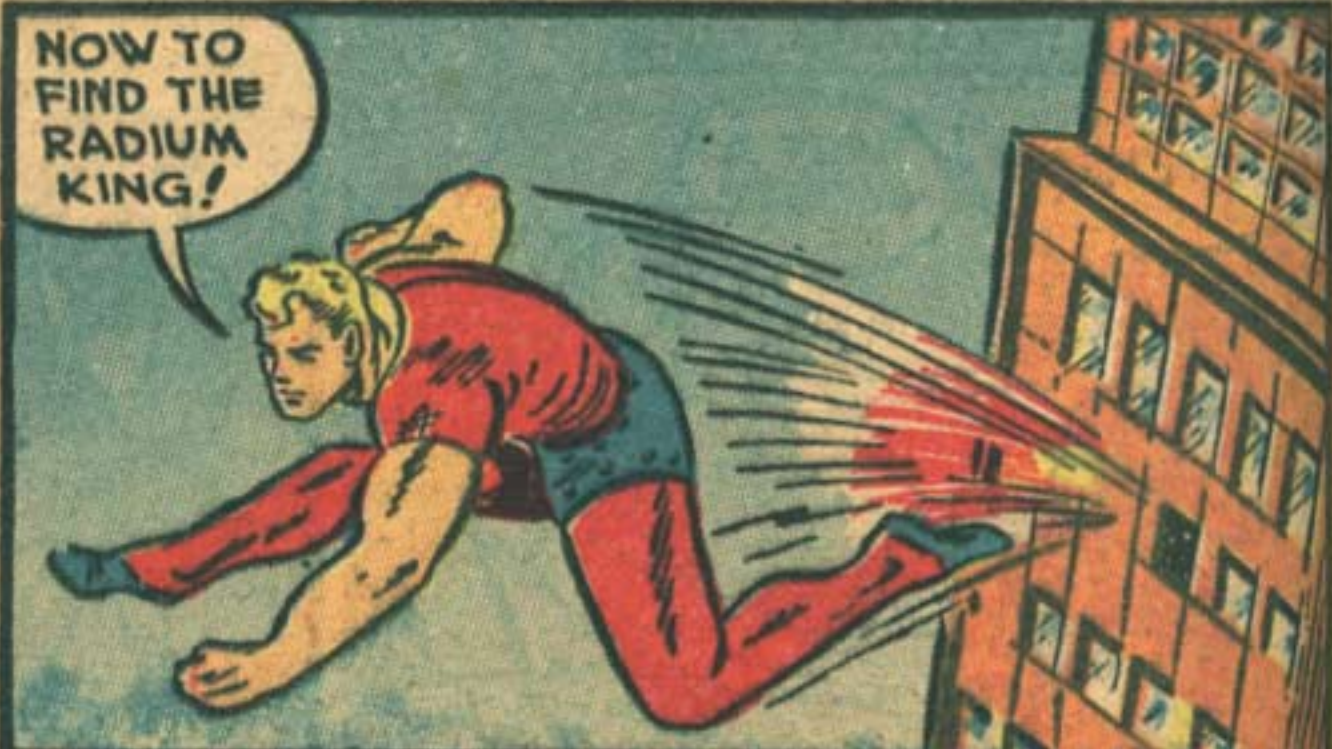
NOW TALK—LOUD, FAST AND ONE AT A TIME! WHERE'S YOUR BOSS HANG-OUT?

BUMP BUMP BUMP





ULP---- ON AN ISLAND IN LAKE SUPERIOR! HONEST, I'LL BE GOOD!



NOW TO FIND THE RADIUM KING!



FLASH! ENTIRE NATION'S SUPPLY OF RADIUM STOLEN BY RADIUM KING. HE WANTS \$30,000,000 FOR IT'S RETURN! NO ONE KNOWS WHO----

DUE TO HIS METAL PHYSICAL MAKE-UP, THE MAN OF STEEL CAN INTERCEPT RADIO WAVES BY SETTING UP A CONTACT BETWEEN HIS TONGUE AND TEETH.



THIS IS LAKE SUPERIOR, I'VE GOT TO FIND THAT ISLAND!

HELLO, RADIUM KING! STEEL STERLING IS GOIN' OUT TO GET YA!

THAT CUMMINGS DAME MUST'VE SENT HIM - I'LL TAKE CARE OF HER - HIM TOO!

BACK AT THE APARTMENT, ONE OF THE HOODLUMS DRAGS HIMSELF TO THE RADIO!



THERE IT IS - PRETTY TRICKY TOO!

STEEL DISCOVERS THE HIDEOUT OF THE RADIUM KING - A SUBMERGED ISLAND



THE MAN OF STEEL DIVES, AND CRASHES THROUGH THE WALLS OF THE UNDERWATER STRUCTURE!



SUDDENLY A VOICE COMES FROM A LOUD SPEAKER

BEAT IT NOW, WHILE YOU'RE STILL IN ONE PIECE - WE'VE FOUND A WAY TO LICK YOU STERLING!

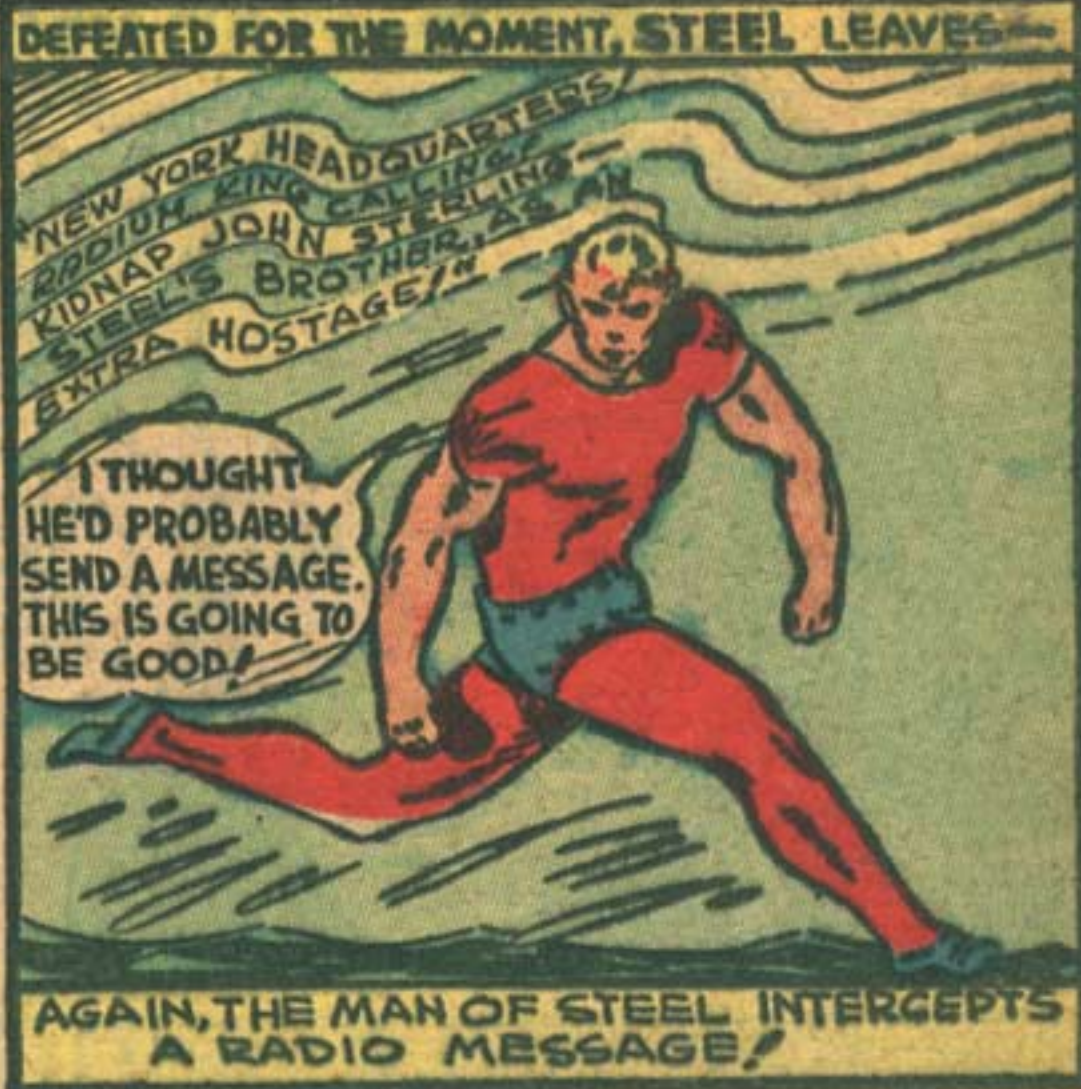
GUESS AGAIN, I'M GIVING THE ORDERS AND I'M COMING AFTER YOU!



DORA CUMMINGS!  
WHILE I WASTED TIME  
LOOKING FOR THIS  
PLACE THEY KID-  
NAPPED YOU!

DON'T WORRY  
ABOUT ME  
STEEL, GO  
GET 'EM!

MAKE JUST ONE  
WRONG MOVE  
AND THIS GIRL  
DIES! NOW  
BEAT IT!



DEFEATED FOR THE MOMENT, STEEL LEAVES

NEW YORK HEADQUARTERS  
RADIUM KING CALLING  
KIDNAP JOHN STERLING  
STEEL'S BROTHER, AS AN  
EXTRA HOSTAGE!

I THOUGHT  
HE'D PROBABLY  
SEND A MESSAGE.  
THIS IS GOING TO  
BE GOOD!

AGAIN, THE MAN OF STEEL INTERCEPTS  
A RADIO MESSAGE!



NOW TO BECOME  
MY OWN TWIN  
BROTHER, THE  
"HEEL" DETEC-  
TIVE!

STEEL RETURNS  
TO HIS PRIVATE  
DETECTIVE OF-  
FICE AND.....



LATER, THE  
RADIUM  
KING'S  
MEN  
ARRIVE-

REACH FOR  
THE CEILING!

GET 'EM  
UP!

HEY!  
WAIT A  
MINUTE!



TAKE THE LEAD  
OUTA YOUR  
SHOES!



WHERE ARE YOU  
TAKING ME?

TO A PARTY--  
YOU'RE GONNA  
BE QUEEN O'  
THE MAY!



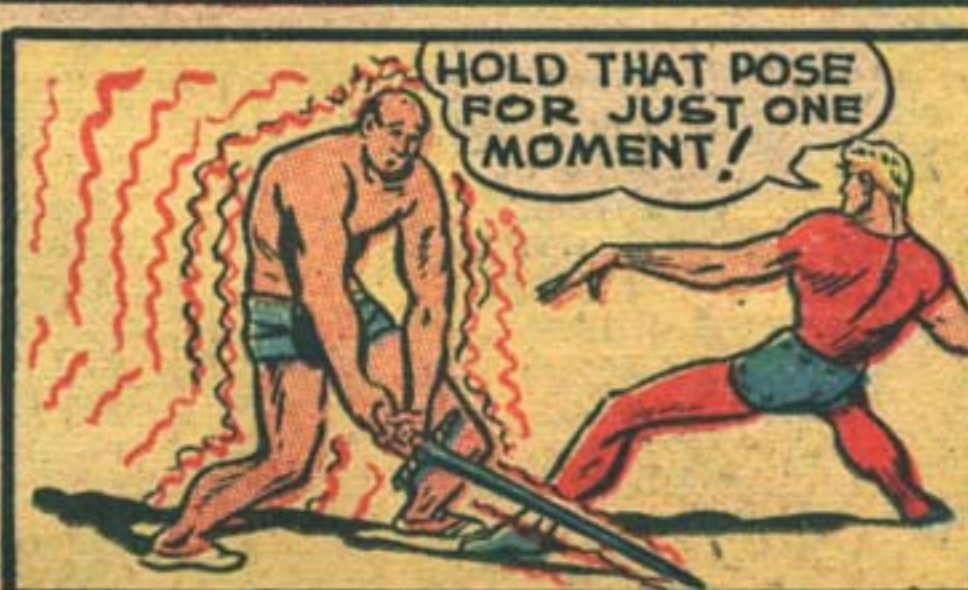
PUT HIM IN  
THE DUNGEON!

WAIT'LL MY  
BROTHER,  
STEEL,  
HEARS  
ABOUT THIS!

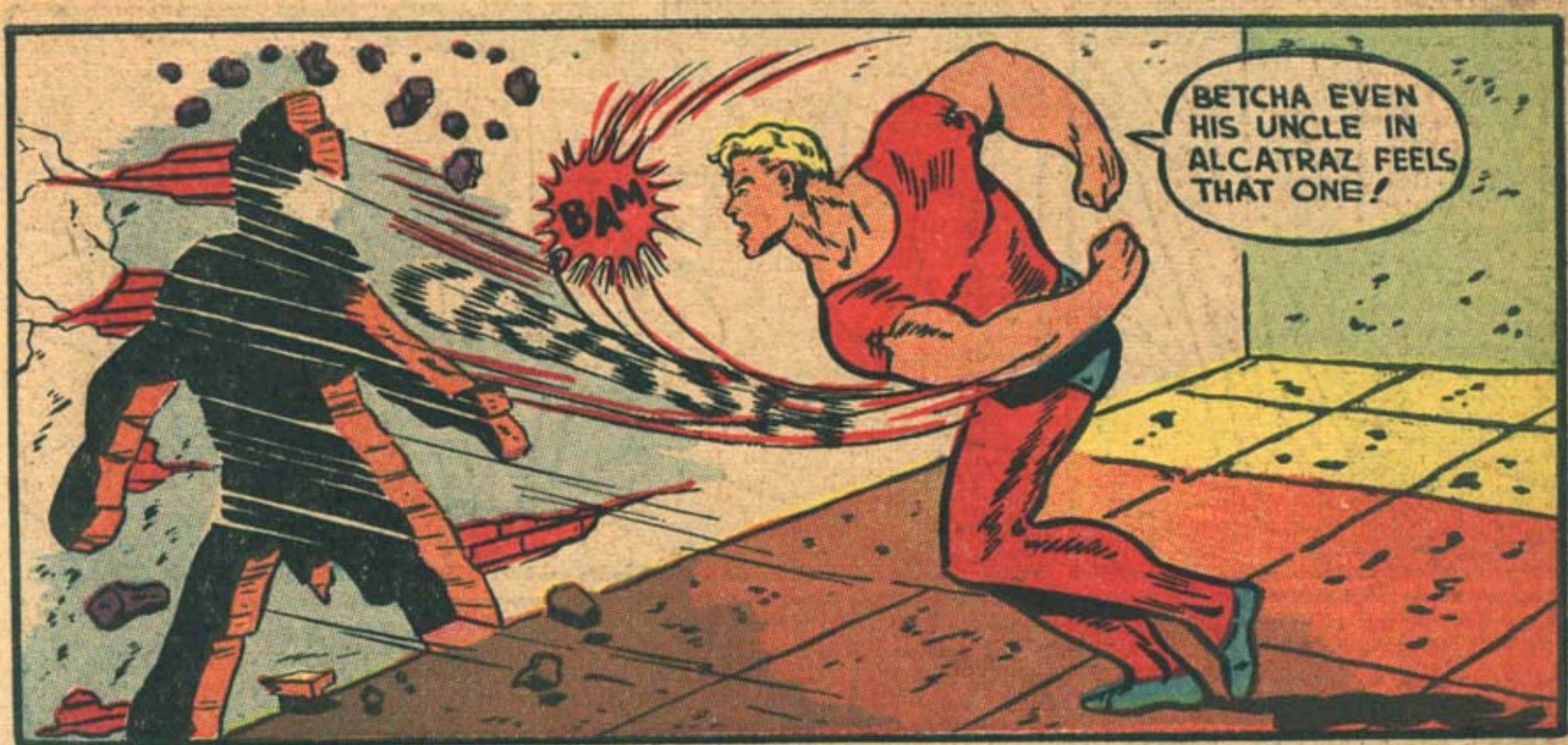


JOHN STERLING!  
HOW DID THEY  
GET YOU?

HOWDY,  
DORA!



THE SWORD, STRIKING SOLID STEEL SETS UP SUCH VIBRATIONS THAT THE GUARD IS MOMENTARILY PARALYZED!



BETCHA EVEN HIS UNCLE IN ALCATRAZ FEELS THAT ONE!



SUDDENLY—FOUR FOOT THICK STEEL WALLS DESCEND AROUND  
**STEEL STERLING**



AND SLOWLY CLOSE IN ABOUT HIM

STEEL AGAINST STEEL, AND THESE WALLS ARE THICKER THAN I AM!



WOW! EVEN I CAN'T STOP THESE WALLS FROM MOVING!

CLOSER AND CLOSER COME THE SPIKED WALLS



STEEL STERLING, EH? YOU'LL BE STEEL WOOL WHEN THESE WALLS GET THROUGH WITH YOU!

A VOICE COMES THROUGH THE WALLS!



MAYBE I CAN LOOSEN ONE OF THESE FLOOR STONES!



HERE IT COMES, AND NONE TOO SOON!



JUST IN TIME THE MAN OF STEEL DIVES TO FREEDOM!



TAKE YOUR PAVS OFF THAT GIRL!

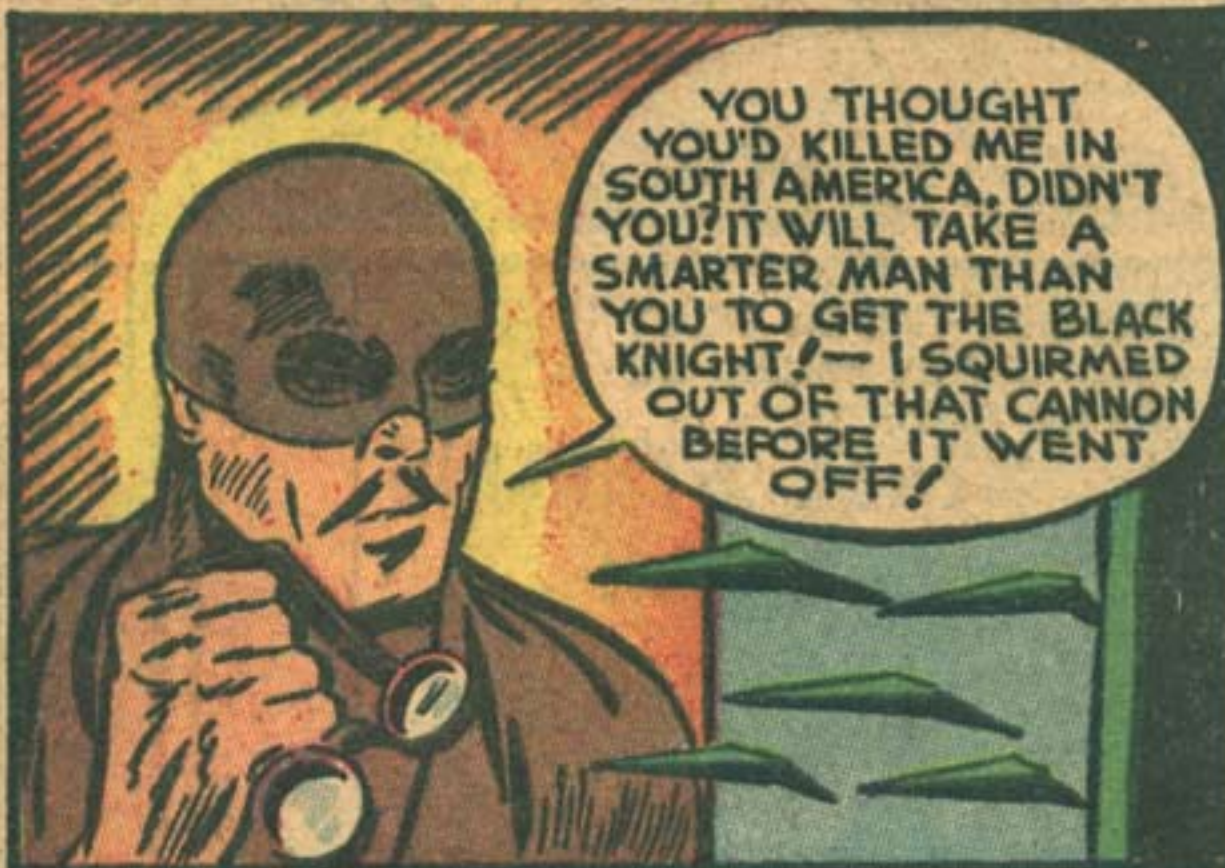
YOU, STEEL STERLING!



MOVE ANOTHER INCH AND THE GIRL WILL BE PIERCED IN A HUNDRED PLACES!

OH, I'M ALWAYS GETTING IN YOUR WAY!

OKAY—YOU WIN AGAIN!



YOU THOUGHT YOU'D KILLED ME IN SOUTH AMERICA, DIDN'T YOU? IT WILL TAKE A SMARTER MAN THAN YOU TO GET THE BLACK KNIGHT! — I SQUIRMED OUT OF THAT CANNON BEFORE IT WENT OFF!



CHLOROFORM THESE TWO, DUTCH!

IF YOU TRY ANY TRICKS, THE GIRL DIES!



SURE TOOK A LOT OF JUICE TO GET THIS BIRD!

HELPLESS BECAUSE OF DORA'S PREDICAMENT, STEEL GIVES IN —

ABOARD THE SUBMARINE!



I'M TIRED OF FOOLING AROUND WITH THEM.... TAKE THEM TO THE SUBMARINE!



INTO THAT GIANT TORPEDO!



OOOH MY HEAD. WHERE ARE WE?

YOU'RE AN ANGEL, SO WE MUST BE IN HEAVEN!

BUT THE EFFECT OF THE CHLOROFORM DOES NOT LAST LONG!



I CAN HEAR VOICES OUTSIDE!

WE'RE IN A TORPEDO, BUT DON'T WORRY!



THIS TORPEDO WILL EXPLODE AGAINST THE ROCK BOTTOM OF THE LAKE!

SUDDENLY-



BETTER LUCK NEXT TIME!

HALP!

COMIN' BOSS!



LET'S ALL RUSH HIM AT ONCE!

O.K.!



I'M TIED IN A KNOT!

OOOOH/ MY BACK!

OOF

GET 'EM, DORA!

UGH



BOP!

UGH



NICE WORK, DORA, BUT WHERE IS THE BLACK KNIGHT?

THERE HE GOES!

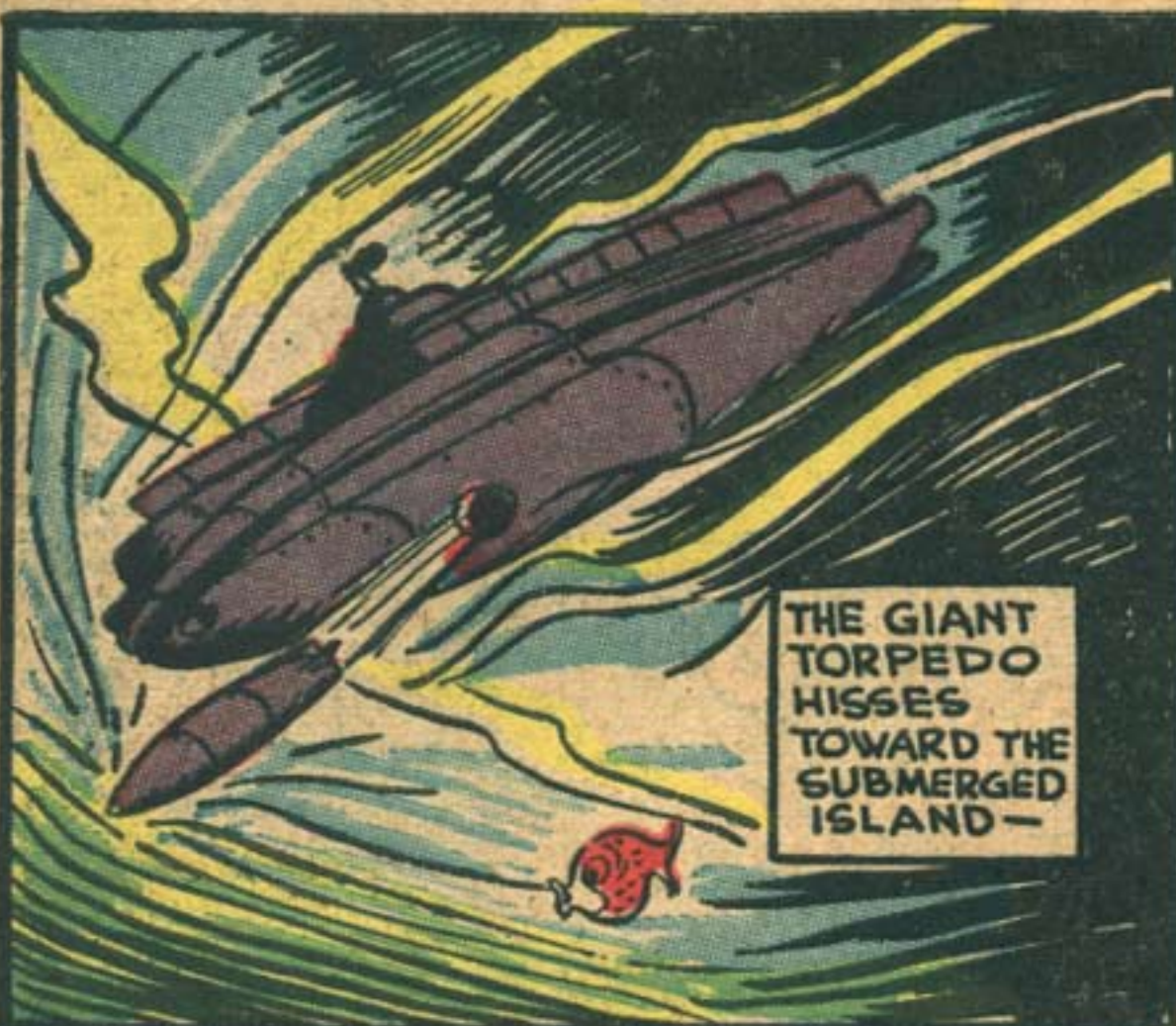
WE'VE GOT THE BLACK KNIGHT TRAPPED IN HIS OWN DEN! I'M GOING TO TORPEDO THE ISLAND!

WAIT, YOUR BROTHER, JOHN, IS ON THE ISLAND, TOO!



STERLING STARTS UP THE SUBMARINE!

OH-ER-I HELPED HIM ESCAPE! HE'S-ER-PROBABLY IN HIS OFFICE BY NOW!



THE GIANT TORPEDO HISSES TOWARD THE SUBMERGED ISLAND—



THAT'S THE END OF THE BLACK KNIGHT!

THE ISLAND IS COMPLETELY DEMOLISHED... BUT A PIECE OF WRECKAGE DAMAGES THE SUBMARINE!



STEEL BREAKS THROUGH THE SIDE OF THE SUB, AND LEADS DORA TO SAFETY.

I MUST LEAVE YOU NOW. TELL YOUR DAD THAT THE RADIUM SUPPLY IS IN A WATERPROOF SAFE IN THE SUBMARINE!



WHAT TH!

THIS IS THE ONLY WAY I CAN THANK YOU!

NEXT DAY

YOU OUGHT TO BE ASHAMED OF YOURSELF!

I THOUGHT, IF I SLEPT FIRST, I'D BE ABLE TO FIGURE THINGS OUT BETTER.....



MORE ACTION-PACKED ADVENTURES OF THE MAN OF STEEL, IN THE NEXT EPISODE OF STEEL STERLING IN-

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# MUGSY

By QUINCY



YOU'RE A NICE DOG BUT THIS IS A POOCH BUSINESS NOT AN ORPHANAGE. I'M GONNA SELL YOU AS A CUT-RATE BLOOD-HOUND MARKED DOWN FROM A GENUINE POLICE PUP.

WOOF



I'M A DETECTIVE — WILL THIS BLOOD-HOUND FOLLOW CLUES AND TRACK DOWN A LADY SUSPECT FOR ME?

ABSOLERTLY, I'D DO IT MYSELF IF MY WIFE WOULD UNDERSTAND.



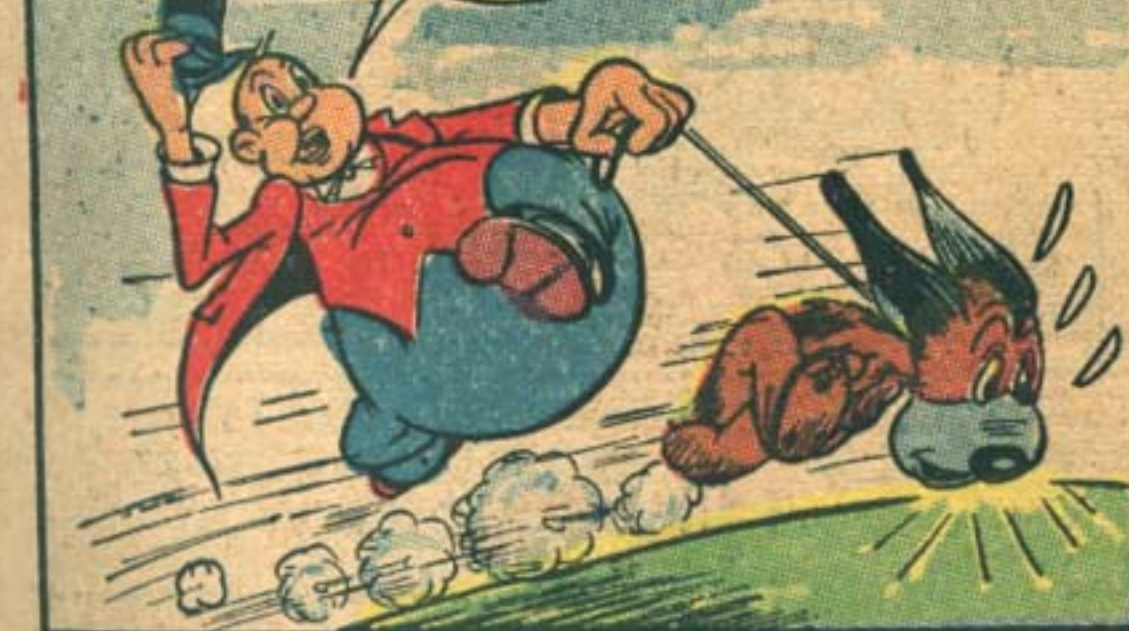
OKAY, PUP — SEE IF YOU CAN TRACK HER DOWN BY FOLLOWING THE SCENT OF THIS PERFUMED PURSE

SNIFF  
SNIFF

SNIFF



AMAZING ANIMAL — I NEVER WOULD HAVE GUESSED SHE WENT THIS WAY — (PUFF)



SOUNDS LIKE HE FOUND HER BEHIND THAT CLUMP OF BUSHES —

WOOF WOOF  
WOOF WOOF  
WOOF WOOF



SNIFF



## POOCH PALACE



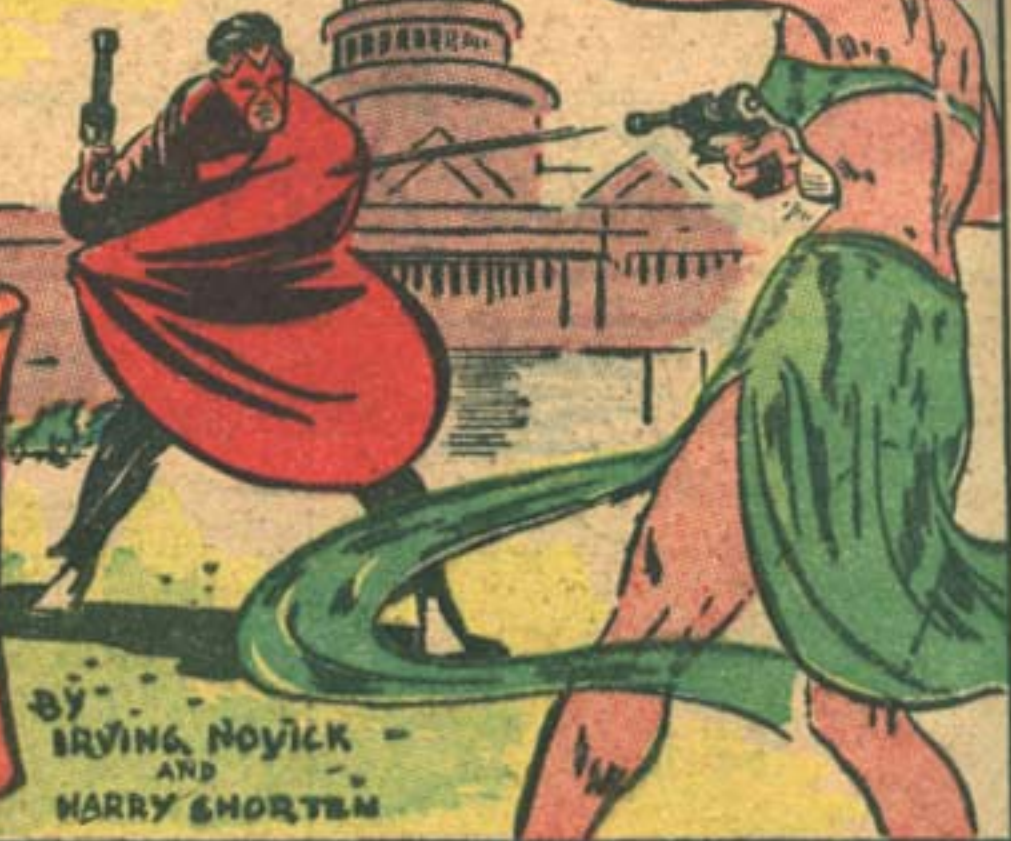


# The Scarlet Avenger



THE SCARLET AVENGER, THE NEMESIS OF GANGLAND, HAS COME TO GRIPS WITH TEXA, A BEAUTIFUL AMAZON, THE QUEEN OF CRIME. IN THE LAST ISSUE THE SCARLET AVENGER LAY HELPLESSLY UNCONSCIOUS, WHILE TEXA PREPARED TO EXTERMINATE HIM. HAS THE SCARLET AVENGER AT LAST MET HIS MATCH?

By IRVING NOYICK  
AND  
HARRY SHORTEN



AN UNEARTHLY, SEARING-FLAME COMES CLOSER AND CLOSER TO THE SCARLET AVENGER... ITS HEAT IS SO GREAT THAT EVEN THE GROUND WITHERS!



INSIDE THE DIRIGIBLE, TEXA ISSUES AN ASTONISHING COMMAND!

STOP! TURN OFF THE FLAME MACHINE. I DO NOT WANT THE SCARLET AVENGER DESTROYED!

WH...WHAT!



THE SCARLET AVENGER MAY BE MORE USEFUL TO ME ALIVE THAN DEAD... HIS POWERFUL BRAINS SHALL AID ME IN MY NEXT CRIME!



RELEASE THE PTERODACTYLS! THE SCARLET AVENGER SHALL ONCE MORE BE MY GUEST!



THE PTERODACTYLS ARE GUIDED TOWARD THEIR QUARRY BY A RAY....



AN UNBELIEVABLE SIGHT!  
PTERODACTYLS, CREATURES  
SUPPOSEDLY EXTINCT,  
ACTING AS CARRIER  
PIGEONS FOR THE  
AMAZING AMAZON!



THE SCARLET AVENGER  
REVIVES!

YOUR VITALITY IS AMAZ-  
ING! ANY OTHER MAN  
WHO WENT THROUGH  
THE SAME OR-  
DEAL WOULD BE  
DEAD!



TAKE HIM TO  
THE CHAMBER  
OF DISKS!

YOU'VE GOT  
ME NOW, BUT  
YOU WON'T  
KEEP ME  
LONG!



THE  
CHAMBER  
OF  
DISKS!

SAY, WHAT'S  
THIS... A  
WORLD'S FAIR  
EXHIBIT?

HA, HA! THIS  
ROOM WILL WEAK-  
EN YOUR STRONG  
WILL AND ENABLE  
ME TO HYPNOTIZE  
YOU...



THE SCARLET AVENGER IS LEFT ALONE,  
AND THE DISKS ON THE WALLS BEGIN TO  
WHIRL AS IN A MADMAN'S DREAM!

EVERYTHING'S  
BEGINNING TO SPIN  
AROUND IN MY BRAIN!



THE SCARLET AVENGER IS AT LAST  
CARRIED OUT... LIMP AND EXHAUSTED!

HA, HA! HIS MIND IS  
WEAK ENOUGH...  
NOW FOR THE  
HYPNOSIS!



TEXA HYPNOTIZES THE  
SCARLET AVENGER...

YOU ARE MY  
SERVANT.... MY  
WILL IS  
YOURS!



I AM GOING TO KIDNAP THE  
PRESIDENT AND HOLD  
HIM FOR RANSOM...  
YOUR COUNTRY WILL  
PAY ANY SUM FOR  
HIS RELEASE! I  
NEED YOUR SCIEN-  
TISTS TO ASSIST  
ME IN THE PER-  
FECTION OF  
MY NEW  
ELECTRO-  
MAGNETO  
MACHINE.



THE SCARLET AVENGER IS RELEASED...

YOU WILL INSTRUCT THEM TO COME TO MY DIRIGIBLE... BUT YOU SHALL RETURN SOON!

YES, I SHALL RETURN SOON!



THE SCARLET AVENGER IS SIGHTED BY HIS OPERATIVES.

THEY'RE LOOKING FOR ME... I'VE GOT TO GET A MESSAGE TO THEM BEFORE THEY LAND!



THE SCARLET AVENGER TAPS OUT A CODE MESSAGE WITH HIS TEL-ORTHOGRAPH... AN INVENTION OF HIS OWN.

TEXA SHALL HAVE MY OPERATIVES... BUT SHE'LL HAVE TO WAIT...



THE TELORTHOGRAPH MESSAGE IS PICKED UP BY OPERATIVE 12-

DO NOT LAND... PROCEED TO LABORATORY... WILL MEET YOU THERE.



WHEW! SHE HAD ME GROGGY FOR AWHILE..! OH, OH! THERE'S A FARMHOUSE.. I HOPE THEY HAVE A PHONE!



THE SCARLET AVENGER CALLS THE WASHINGTON POLICE.

THAT'S A MIGHTY FUNNY OUTFIT TO BE RUNNIN' AROUND THE COUNTRY WITH!

OH! I JUST CAME FROM A MASQUERADE PARTY... THE POLICE'LL PROBABLY THINK I'M CRAZY!



IN THE WASHINGTON POLICE COURT...

WH... WHAT'S THAT! PRESIDENT'S GOING TO BE KIDNAPPED! HA, HA! THAT'S A GOOD ONE... GO HOME AND SLEEP IT OFF!



LATER.... IN THE LABORATORY OF THE SCARLET AVENGER.



WE'LL DO ANYTHING YOU SAY..

TEXA BELIEVES SHE HAS ME HYPNOTIZED, AND HAS ORDERED ME TO BRING YOU BACK TO HELP HER...THIS IS OUR CHANCE TO CAPTURE HER. BUT IF WE FAIL, WE FORFEIT OUR LIVES!



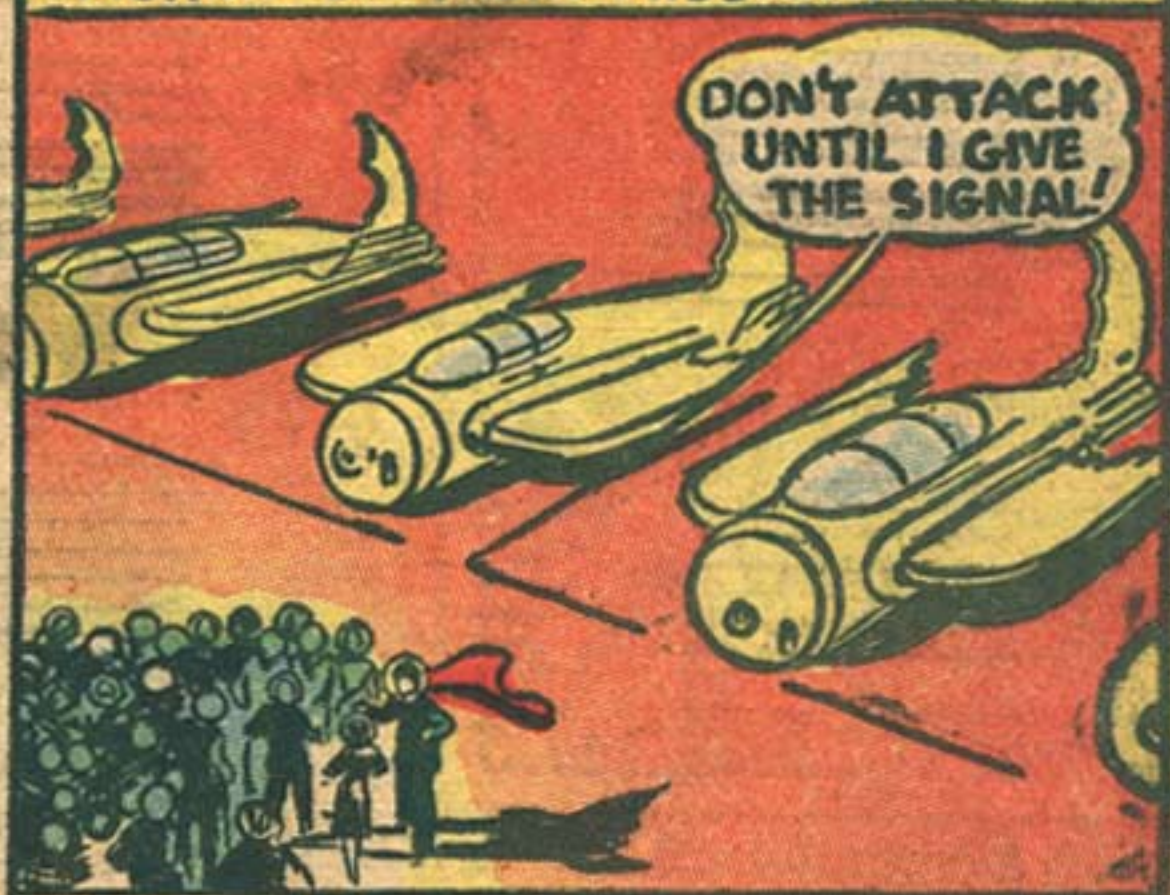
ONCE AGAIN THE SCARLET AVENGER'S OPERATIVES PROVE THEIR LOYALTY TO THEIR MASTER, AND THE CAUSE FOR WHICH THEY ARE FIGHTING...



I'M WILLING TO GO.

COUNT ME IN, TOO!

THE SCARLET AVENGER AND HIS AIDES EMBARK ON THEIR MISSION...



DON'T ATTACK UNTIL I GIVE THE SIGNAL!

THE SCARLET AVENGER'S OPERATIVES ARE ADMITTED INTO THE GIANT DIRIGIBLE...



TEXA AND HER HOODED TRIBE ARE PREPARED TO SPRAY DESTRUCTION AT THE SLIGHTEST SIGN OF BETRAYAL...



HA! YOU HAVE OBEYED PROMPTLY... WHERE IS YOUR MASTER?

THE SCARLET AVENGER WILL TAKE CARE OF THINGS IN WASHINGTON..

IN WASHINGTON, THE PRESIDENT IS JUST EMERGING FROM THE CAPITOL, UNAWARE OF THE EXTREME PERIL WHICH THREATENS HIM!



...AND PLACIDLY PREPARES TO LEAVE FOR THE WHITE HOUSE...



HA, HA, JIM, SOME CRACKPOT SAID THE PRESIDENT WUZ GOIN' TO BE SNATCHED!

HAW, HAW, THAT'S RICH!

SUDDENLY, A MOUNTAINOUS DIRIGIBLE MAKES ITS APPEARANCE!



WH...WHAT'S THAT!

IN THE DIRIGIBLE ...



NOW! I RELEASE THE ELECTRO-MAGNETO SWITCH, AND....

AN UNBELIEVABLE SIGHT! A LIVING WALL OF ELECTRICITY SPRINGS UP AROUND THE PRESIDENT'S CAR!



HOODED FIGURES WEARING INSULATED CLOTHING, LEAP THROUGH THE DEATH WALL!



QUICK! TO THE PRESIDENT'S CAR!

THE SCARLET AVENGER APPEARS... SEEMINGLY, FROM THIN AIR!



SORRY TO BUST IN ON YOUR PARTY, GENTS... BUT I'VE GOT OTHER PLANS!

DON'T WORRY, MR. PRESIDENT. I'LL TAKE CARE OF THESE WALKING LAUNDRY BAGS!

WH.. WHAT



WHILE INSIDE THE DIRIGIBLE, THE SCARLET AVENGER'S SUDDEN APPEARANCE GIVES HIS OPERATIVES THEIR SIGNAL TO ATTACK!

CURSE HIM! BETRAYED!

IT'S ALL OVER BUT THE SHOOTING, TEXA!



THE SCARLET AVENGER FIGHTS AGAINST OVERWHELMING ODDS!

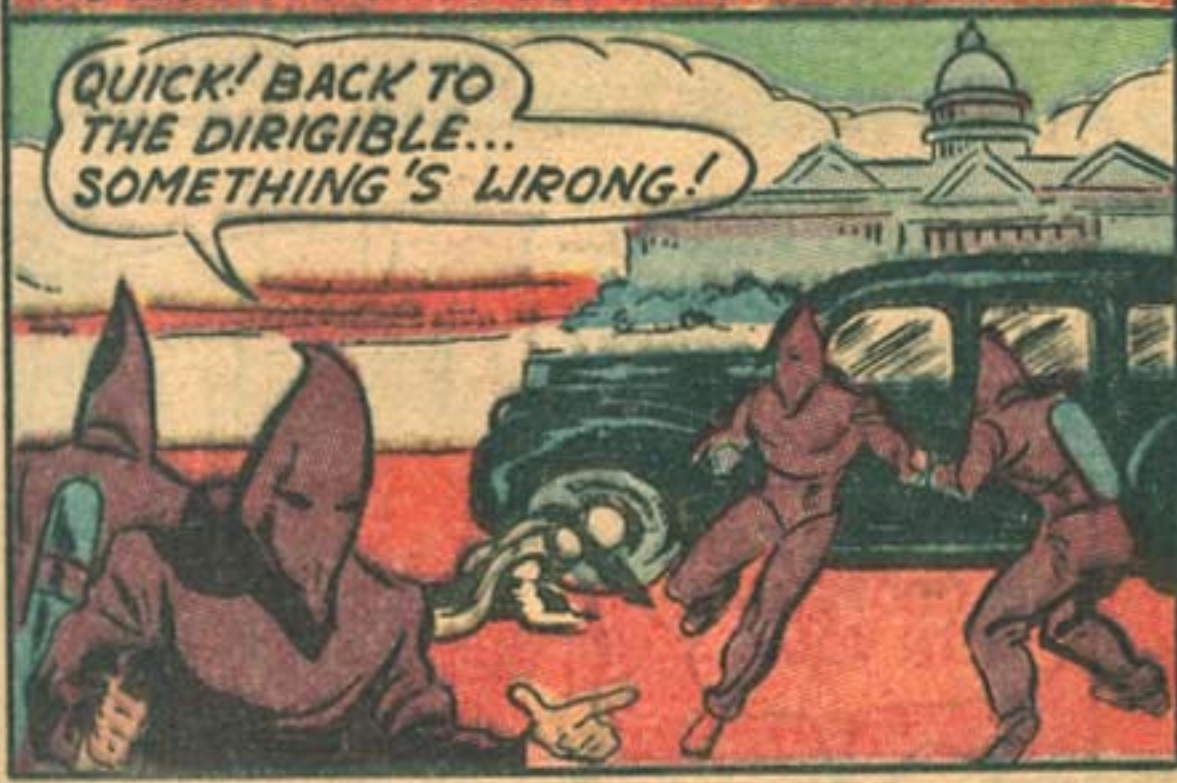
I HOPE MY OPERATIVES GET TO THE DYNAMOES PRETTY SOON!

KILL HIM!



THE ELECTRIC WALL SUDDENLY DISAPPEARS!

QUICK! BACK TO THE DIRIGIBLE... SOMETHING'S WRONG!



THE HOODS SOAR INTO THE SKIES...

IT.. IT'S FANTASTIC!

HOLY CATS! AM I SEEIN' THINGS?



THE SCARLET AVENGER GOES TO REJOIN HIS OPERATIVES!

GOING MY WAY, MR.?

GET... OFF!



IN THE DIRIGIBLE, THE SCARLET AVENGER'S OPERATIVES WAGE A LOSING BATTLE!

KILL THEM ALL!

DEATH! TO THE TRAITORS!



THE SCARLET AVENGER AND HIS OPERATIVES ARE REALLY IN A SPOT - READ THE NEXT ISSUE OF -

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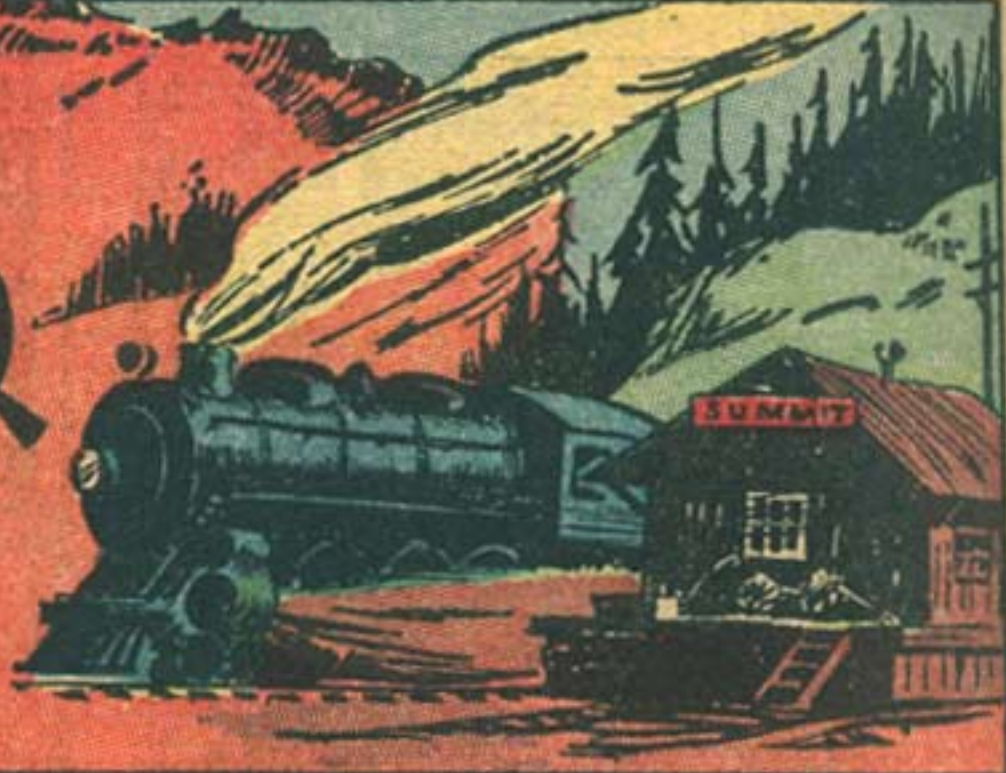
TO SEE HOW THEY MAKE OUT IN THEIR BATTLE WITH TEXA, QUEEN OF CRIME !!

NOVICK

# Nevada Jones

## QUICK-TRIGGER MAN

WORKING ON ORDERS FROM THE GOVERNOR OF MONTANA... NEVADA JONES, QUICK TRIGGER MAN, AND HIS PARTNER, LITTLE JOE, SET OUT TO CAPTURE THE COUNTRY'S NUMBER ONE ROAD AGENT!



NEVADA CALLS ON THE OFFICIALS OF THE M & C RAILROAD...

I'M HERE ON THE GOVERNOR'S ORDERS, GENTS... WHAT'S ALL THE TROUBLE HEREABOUTS?

A MASKED MAN, EH? SIT DOWN PLEASE!!

WE'VE JUST RECEIVED THIS NOTE FROM THE NOTORIOUS TRAIN BANDIT, SLADE BOWMAN!

LET'S SEE IT!

HMM... SO BOWMAN'S STILL BRAGGING!

TAKE HEED- I MEAN BUSINESS... TRY AND STOP ME! I DARE YOU! SLADE BOWMAN

NEVADA ASKS FOR SEVERAL DEPENDABLE MEN TO JOIN UP WITH HIM AT THE TOWN OF SUMMIT...

I'LL START PRONTO... MEBBE OUR FRIEND, SLADE, WILL REGRET SHOOTIN' OFF HIS MOUTH!

WE'LL BE GLAD TO COOPERATE WITH YOU!

YIPPEE! YAY! BLAZE AWAY!

THAT DESERTED CABOOSE WILL BE OUR HOMESTEAD WHILE WE GO HUNTIN' FOR SLADE BOWMAN!

AT SUMMIT...

THE NEXT DAY... WHILE WALKING THROUGH TOWN...



THIS SLADE'S QUITE A LADY'S MAN... SHOULDN'T BE SURPRISED TO FIND HIM THERE!

THAT NIGHT...



THIS WAY BOYS... CHECK YORE GUNS...

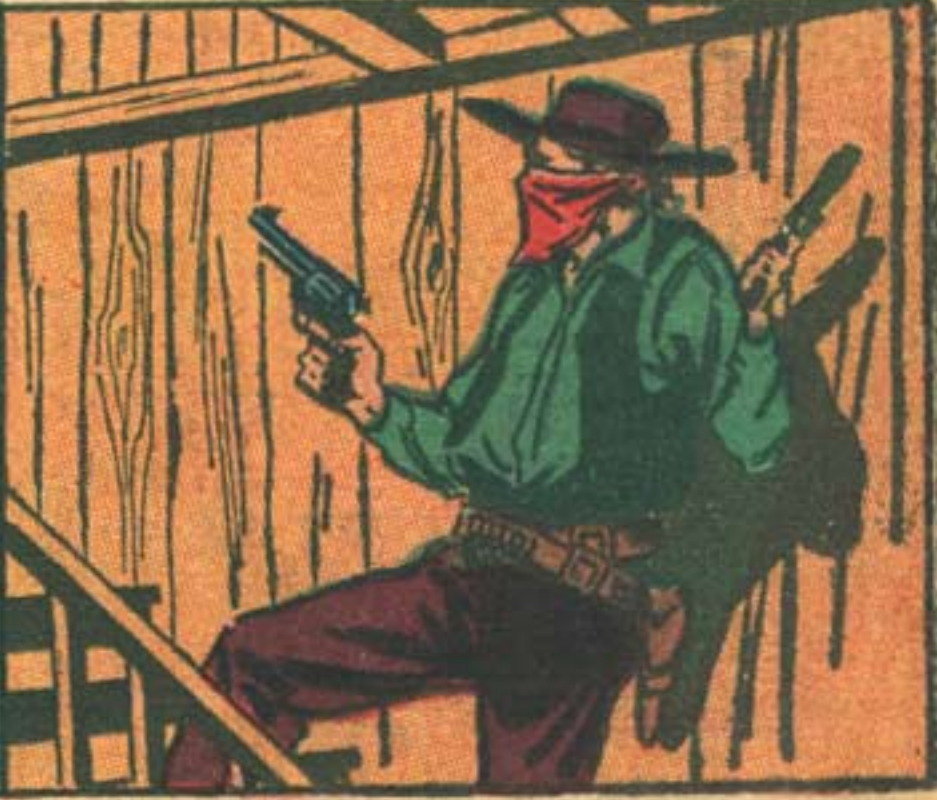
SURE, PARDNER!



GRAB A GAL, LITTLE JOE, AND KEEP YORE EYES PEELED FOR SLADE.

GOOD IDEE, BOSS!

UNKNOWN TO THE MERRY MAKERS... A SINISTER FIGURE SLINKS TOWARD THE DANCE FLOOR!!



SUDDENLY--



UP WITH 'EM LADS AND LASSIES!

IT'S SLADE BOWMAN!



KEEP YUN DUKES UP, COWPOKES!

THE MASKED GUNMAN, WITH A SHOW OF BRAVADO TYPICAL OF HIS KIND, GRABS ONE OF THE GIRLS AND DANCES!!



HE'S SHOOTIN' JIM STEVENS! ... THE DIRTY SKUNK!

AS THE GUNMAN LEAVES, HE FIRES POINT BLANK AT ONE OF THE RANCHMEN!



THE KILLER IS PURSUED BUT THE TRAIL SOON GROWS COLD!!



THAT BOWMAN'S A SLIPPERY CUSS!



NEVADA AND LITTLE JOE RETURN TO SUMMIT.

SOMETHIN' FUNNY ABOUT THAT, LITTLE JOE... SLADE IS A BAD ONE, BUT NOT A KILLER!



SEVERAL DAYS AFTER THE KILLING, A TRAIN ROBBERY IS STAGED A FEW MILES FROM SUMMIT!



THOSE LOGS WE PILED ON THE TRACK WILL STOP HIM!



WHEN NEWS OF THE TRAIN ROBBERY REACHES SUMMIT, A POSSE, WITH LITTLE JOE AS A MEMBER, SETS OUT!

MUH TRIGGER FINGER'S ITCHIN'!

SPREAD OUT YORE BOYS AND KEEP YORE EYES OPEN!



MANY MILES LATER, THEY COME UPON A BODY!

ACCORDIN' TO THESE PAPERS THIS HOMBRE IS SLADE BOW-MAN!



WHO ARE YOU? TALK FAST!

I'M BUD JONES, UNDERCOVER MAN.. THE GOVERNOR SENT ME TO HELP YUH.

MEANWHILE... BACK IN SUMMIT A MAN ENTERS NEVADA'S CABOOSE...



GLAD TO MEET YUH... I SHURE CAN USE HELP!

HERE'S MY PAPERS...



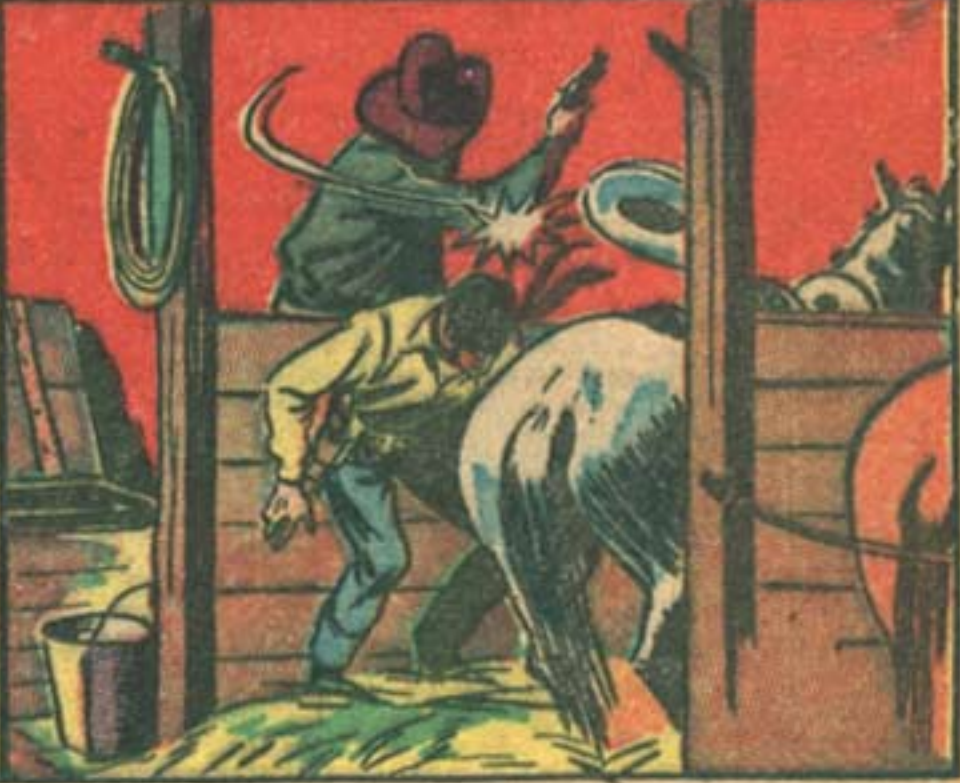
JUST THEN LITTLE JOE RETURNS.

MEBBE! BUT JONES AND I'LL MOSEY AROUND SUMMIT ANYHOW... NEVER CAN TELL WHAT WILL TURN UP!

BOSS... WE FIND SLADE'S BODY!



AT THE SUMMIT LIVERY, NEVADA IS STRUCK DOWN AS HE UNSADDLES BLAZE !!



THAT MASK O' YOURS SURE IS TROUBLESOME... THE SHERIFF MUST'VE MISTOOK US FOR THE TRAIN ROBBERS..

WHERE ARE WE? WHAT HAPPENED?



LITTLE JOE HEARS ABOUT NEVADA'S ARREST, AND COMES TO HIS RESCUE!

I CAN'T.. THE SHERIFF'S GOT ME COVERED!

COME ON JONES!



YIPPEE YAY! BLAZE AWAY! I'LL HIDE OUT AT RIDGE HOLLOW ON SAWTOOTH... YOU STAY AT THE HOTEL- IF ANYTHING HAPPENS... LET ME KNOW!

SURE BOSS!



BOY! IF THOSE GENTS ONLY KNEW HOW CLOSE THEY WERE...

AS NEVADA PEERS FROM THE UNDERBRUSH... HE SEES HIS HUNTERS STALKING HIM!



MEANWHILE... AT THE HOTEL BAR, LITTLE JOE OVERHEARS A CONVERSATION...

TONIGHT... THE 8:15 AT THE SNOWSHED.



I'VE HEARD THEM SAY... 8:15 TONIGHT AT SNOWSHED!

I KNEW IT! LET'S GO! NO TIME TO LOSE...





DON'T JUMP 'EM UNTIL I GIVE THE WORD!

NEVADA ROUNDS UP THE MEN SENT BY THE RAILROAD, AND LEADS THE WAY THROUGH THE DARK NIGHT TO THE SNOWSHED!



WHILE INSIDE THE SNOWSHED.

OKAY, ENGINEER PULL YORE IRON HOSS OUT O' HERE!

I GOT THE SVAG LET'S PULL STAKES!



NEVADA AND HIS MEN BREAK IN.

DROP THEM SHOOT-IN' IRONS AND HOIST FOR THE SKIES!

WHAT THE!

THE BANDITS MAKE A BREAK FOR FREEDOM, BUT AS THEY CROSS THE TRACKS A TRAIN ROARS DOWN ON THEM FROM AROUND A CURVE!



LOOK OUT! IT GOT SPIKE!

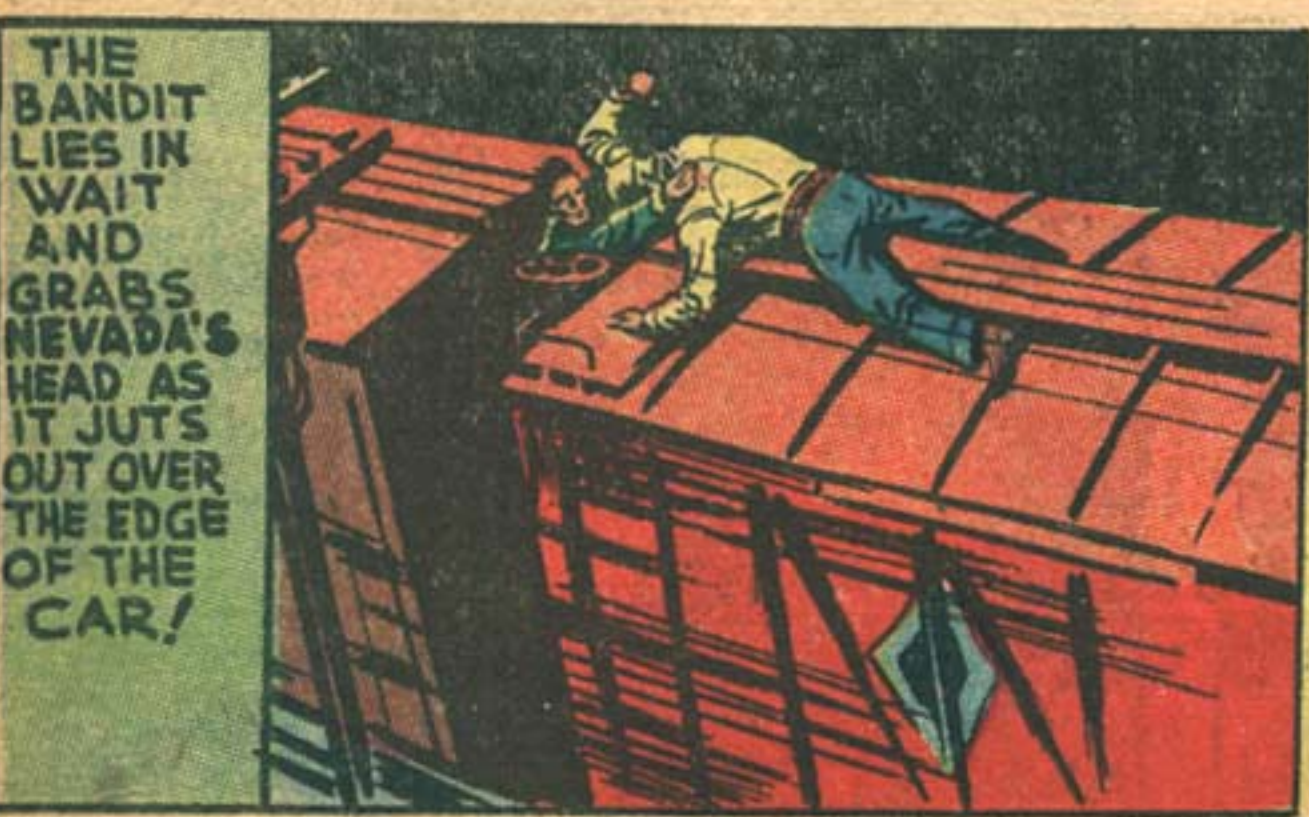


YUH DON'T GIT ME THIS TIME!

ONE OF THE BANDITS BOARDS THE SWIFT MOVING TRAIN!



NEVADA FOLLOWS!



THE BANDIT LIES IN WAIT AND GRABS NEVADA'S HEAD AS IT JUTS OUT OVER THE EDGE OF THE CAR!



AS THE TRAIN ROARS OVER A TRESTLE, NEVADA SLIPS AND FALLS,

THAT SETTLES YOUR HASH!

AS NEVADA FALLS...HE STRAIGHTENS INTO A DIVE!



... AND JUST MISSES THE ROCKS IN THE WATER!



BOY! THAT WAS CLOSE!

NEVADA IS MET BY HIS MEN RETURNING WITH THEIR PRISONERS, AS HE MAKES FOR SUMMIT...

SOME OF YOU MEN COME WITH ME... PRONTO!



HE PROCEEDS IMMEDIATELY TO THE OFFICE OF THE SHERIFF...

THE GAME'S UP, SHERIFF. GET IN THAT CELL WITH THE GUY YUH CALL JONES!

WHAT'S THE IDEA?



WELL JONES-OR SLADE BOWMAN-HERE'S YORE PAL, THE SHERIFF! YUH SHORE GOT BACK HERE PLENTY QUICK AFTER DUMPIN' ME OFF THAT FREIGHT CAR!



THE SHERIFF, WORKIN' WITH SLADE, KILLED THE REAL JONES AND GAVE SLADE JONES' PAPERS... THEN HE SHOT STEVENS BECAUSE JIM KNEW JONES BY SIGHT! ..AND NOW I'M OFF TO NEW ADVENTURES!



MORE THRILLING ADVENTURES OF NEVADA JONES IN THE NEXT ISSUE OF ZIP COMICS

# KALTHAR

The

## GIANT MAN KING OF THE JUNGLE



KALTHAR, MIGHTY GIANT OF THE JUNGLE, IS THE PROTECTOR OF ITS DENIZENS, AND CHIEF OF THE URGANAS. TALD, THE WITCH-DOCTOR, HAS MADE HIM THE SOLE OWNER OF THE JUNGLE'S MOST MARVELOUS SECRET, AND WITH ITS AID KALTHAR CAN CHANGE HIS SIZE FROM NORMAL TO FIFTEEN FEET IN HEIGHT, AT WILL!

ONE DAY THE URGANAS RETURN FROM THE HUNT

WE HAVE DONE WELL, KALTHAR, AND WE HAVE ENOUGH FOOD FOR MANY MOONS.

THE URGANAS ARE MIGHTY HUNTERS!



BWONGA IS UNEASY

WE HAVE GONE DEEPER INTO THE FORESTS ON THIS HUNT THAN EVER BEFORE, PERHAPS WE ARE IN THE LAND OF THE TRIBE OF SHEM!

SHEM IS ONLY A FAIRY TALE OF OUR FATHERS.



BUT EVEN IF THE STORY IS TRUE, KALTHAR FEARS THEM NOT. THE JUNGLE IS KALTHAR'S!



SUDDENLY!

KALU! THEY ARE HERE, MEN OF SHEM!

MANDO, GOD-SON! IT IS THEY!



BEFORE KALTHAR CAN SWALLOW THE RED GRAIN, WHICH GIVES HIM HIS GIANT GROWTH, THE HORDES OF SHEM ATTACK

SLAY! URGANAS WARRIORS!





THE ENEMY CONCENTRATES ITS ATTACK ON THE WHITE CHIEFTAIN!

KILL HIM!  
HE IS THEIR LEADER.



THE ODDS ARE TOO GREAT AGAINST THE OUTNUMBERED URGANAS AND THEIR VALIANT LEADER.

HA! THIS IS THE MIGHTY KALTHAR. OUR PHAROAH HAS LONG WISHED FOR THIS ENCOUNTER.



BUT BWONGA MAKES HIS ESCAPE

I MUST FETCH HELP FOR OUR GOD-SON!



KALTHAR IS ABOUT TO BE PUT TO DEATH!

STOP! HE WILL MAKE A GOOD SACRIFICE FOR OUR SUN-GOD, SHEM!



THRU THICK, UNFAMILIAR FORESTS, KALTHAR'S CAPTORS MARCH FOR HOURS.



THE LAND OF SHEM

AND NOW IT SHALL NOT BE LONG BEFORE SHEM DRINKS OF YOUR BLOOD!

KALTHAR FEARS NOT!



THE SHEMMITES BEAR THEIR PRIZE TOWARD THE MOST STATELY BUILDING IN THE CITY!

KALTHAR IS BROUGHT BEFORE THE KING OF THE SUN-WORSHIPPERS!

THIS IS KALTHAR, OH PHAROAH!

HO! SO, THIS IS THE MIGHTY GOD-SON OF WHOM ALL THE JUNGLE SPEAKS.

WITH YOU OUT OF THE WAY, THE JUNGLE WILL BELONG TO THEM, OUR SUN-GOD, AND THERE WILL BE MORE BLOOD TO SACRIFICE TO HIM!

BOW BEFORE THE MIGHTY PHAROAH!

KALTHAR BOWS BEFORE NO MAN.

THE PHAROAH IS ENRAGED

YOU CANNOT WHIP THE GOD-SON LIKE A COMMON SLAVE!

WHIP THE DOG!

OOOMPH!

KALTHAR DOES NOT NEED HIS HANDS TO SUBDUE THE BLACK!

AGILE AS BOGDU, THE APE, KALTHAR'S STEEL-MUSCLED LEGS WHIP OUT!

TONGO KAL!

KALTHAR HITS UPON A DESPERATE PLAN!

KALTHAR SHALL TEACH YOU BETTER MANNERS!

UNTIE ME! IF I DIE, YOUR KING DIES TOO

OUR...OUR PHAROAH, THE DOG DARES

D-DO AS HE SAYS!

**KALTHAR'S PLAN WORKS!**



**BUT ONLY FOR A SHORT WHILE!**



TO THE ALTAR OF THE SUN WITH HIM!

YES, MIGHTY PHAROAH!



THE SACRIFICIAL RITES ARE BEGUN!

OH, GREAT GOD SHEM, WE OFFER YOU THE BLOOD OF THIS WHITE MAN!



**KALTHAR REGAINS CONSCIOUSNESS.**

I MUST TRY TO SUMMON JUNGLE HELP!



**THE CALL OF THE JUNGLE!**

WHAT IS THE JUNGLE DEMON DOING?

KAI-AAA-PII!  
KAI-AAA-PII!



ALONE PAIR OF EARS HEARS THE CALL OF DISTRESS; BOGDU THE APE!



AND WITH SPEED, SECOND ONLY TO KALTHAR'S, BOGDU SOON REACHES THE CITY.





BOGDU PICKS UP THE SPOOR OF THE JUNGLE LORD!

KILL HIM! HE IS RUNNING TOWARD THE ALTAR!



THE APE ARRIVES JUST IN TIME! BUT CAN HE SAVE KALTHAR FROM DEATH?

BOGDU! QUICK! TEAR THESE ROPES!

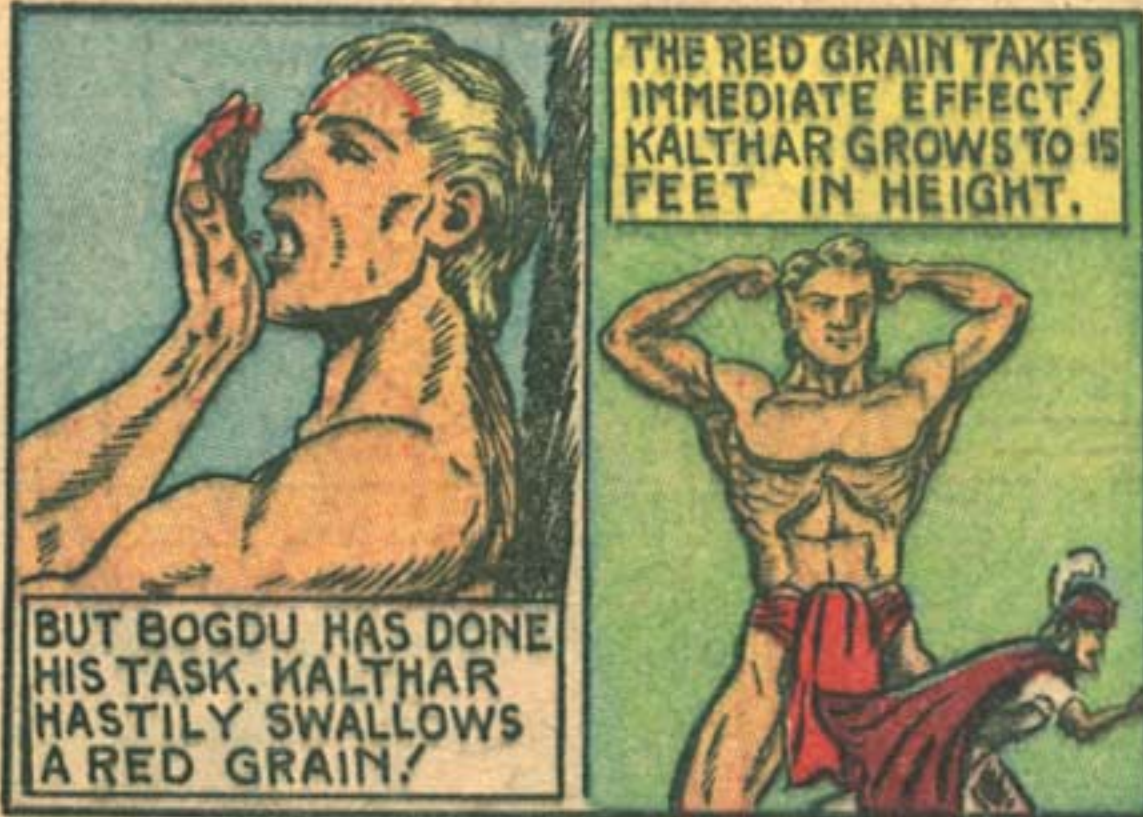


BOGDU SUCCEEDS IN FREEING ONE OF KALTHAR'S HANDS BEFORE AN ARROW BRINGS HIM DOWN!

DESTROY THE BEAST! HE IS TRYING TO FREE KALTHAR!



THE RED GRAIN TAKES IMMEDIATE EFFECT! KALTHAR GROWS TO 15 FEET IN HEIGHT.



BUT BOGDU HAS DONE HIS TASK. KALTHAR HASTILY SWALLOWS A RED GRAIN!

HE HURLS DESTRUCTION INTO THE HORDES OF SHEM.

NOW YOU SHALL BE SACRIFICES FOR THE GOD-SON

CALL THE LEGIONS OF SHEM!

DEATH TO THE GIANT DEMON



CAN KALTHAR COPE WITH THE ARMIES OF SHEM?



AN INCREDIBLE FEAT OF STRENGTH!

BUT EVEN THE SUPERHUMAN PROWESS OF THE JUNGLE KING CANNOT WITHSTAND FOR LONG THE ONSLAUGHTS OF THE ENTIRE ARMY OF SHEM!

THEY--THEY'RE OVERPOWERING ME!



DEATH TO THE DESPOILER OF SHEM!

THE URGANAS SPARE YOU YOUR LIVES, BUT YOU MUST MAKE YOUR LAND ELSE WHERE! THE JUNGLE BELONGS TO THE URGANAS!

WE--WE GO



BWONGA BRINGS THE URGANAS WARRIORS TO THE AID OF KALTHAR.

THE GOD-SON IS YET ALIVE!

JUST IN TIME!



THE URGANAS!

THE HORDES OF SHEM ARE SOON PUT TO ROUT!



WE--WE SURRENDER! URGANAS!

BACK IN THE VILLAGE OF THE URGANAS, IN THE HUT OF TA-LO, THE WITCH-DOCTOR.

BOGDU WILL SOON BE WELL THIS MAGIC HERB WILL CURE HIM!

GOOD! BOGDU HAS SERVED THE URGANAS WELL!



AND SO THE JUNGLE SEES AN END TO THE EVIL TRIBE OF SHEM!



MORE ADVENTURES OF KALTHAR KING OF THE JUNGLE in the next issue of

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# WAR EAGLES

## The DEVIL'S flying TWINS



TIM AND TOM SHANE, AMERICAN TWINS, JOINED THE R.A.F. TO CONTINUE A FEUD WITH HERR SCHULTZ, A GERMAN ACE. AFTER A FEW SPECTACULAR SUCCESSES AGAINST THE GERMANS, ONE OF THE TWINS WAS FORCED DOWN BEHIND THE ENEMY LINES, AND BOTH THE TWINS WERE CAPTURED. THEY ESCAPED AND RESCUED THE C.O.'S KID BROTHER, KERMIT, WHO WAS ALSO A PRISONER.



IT'S THE DEVIL'S TWINS. THEY'VE RESCUED KERMIT.

GET KERMIT TO A HOSPITAL—HIS LEG IS SHOT UP!



THE C.O. APOLOGIZES

I TAKE BACK WHAT I SAID ABOUT YOU TWO!

THAT'S OK, AND NOW WE'RE OFF TO PARIS FOR A FEW DAYS!



AT THE HOSPITAL IN PARIS WHERE HELEN IS STATIONED.

HELLO, HELEN!

OH, YOU POOR BOY! WHAT HAPPENED TO YOUR ARM?

QUIET PLEASE



OH, TIM HERE, GOT CARELESS, AND LET A NAZI SNEAK UP ON ME, JUST AS I HAD SCHULTZ COLD!

WHY, YOU RAT! IT WAS YOUR OWN FAULT YOU GOT HIT!

AN URGENT CALL FOR MAJOR TIM SHANE, PLEASE!

NOW BOYS—STOP FIGHTING. LET'S GO TO THE RITZ!

QUIET PLEASE



TIM IS ORDERED BACK TO HIS FIELD IMMEDIATELY BY GHQ.

TOM AND HELEN GO ON TO THE RITZ!

HERE I AM, GENTLEMEN, WHAT'S UP?

WE HAVE A DANGEROUS JOB THAT HAS TO BE DONE, AND YOU'RE THE ONLY ONE NOT ON SICK LIST WHO CAN DO IT!



OUR SPIES REPORT A MUNITIONS DUMP AT HOLBURG, THAT MUST BE DESTROYED! IT'S WELL GUARDED AND THERE'S NOT A CHANCE IN A HUNDRED EVEN YOU CAN GET BACK ALIVE!

ALL RIGHT, I'LL TAKE THE RISK!

ID LIKE TO SAY GOOD-BYE TO KERMIT FIRST.

SURELY-BUT HURRY!



AT THE HOSPITAL, TIM TELLS KERMIT ABOUT THE DARING RAID HE IS ABOUT TO MAKE.

BUT IT'S SUICIDE, WHY NOT GET TOM TO HELP YOU!



I WOULDN'T ASK THAT GUY FOR ANYTHING! HE TOLD HELEN IT WAS MY FAULT HE WAS HIT! HE'S GOT HER THINKING HE'S A MARTYR, WELL, SO LONG KERMIT!

SO LONG!



OK, SIR! I'M ON MY WAY!

GOOD LUCK, SHANE!



I'LL HAVE TO FLY HIGH TO AVOID DETECTION.



BUT BEFORE HE CAN GAIN HIGH ALTITUDE!

OH-OH, AN ENEMY PATROL, LOOKS LIKE I'M IN FOR A BATTLE.



VICKER'S 'WELLESLEY'

I GUESS MY BEST BET IS TO ATTACK!



NOT EXPECTING A LONE PLANE TO ATTACK THEM-TIM CATCHES THE NAZIS BY SURPRISE!

GANGWAY! HERE I COME!



HEINKEL HE123

GOT HIM!





I'VE GOT TO GET THIS SECOND ONE FAST!



BUT THE FASTER ENEMY SHIP SOON GETS ON TIM'S TAIL!

I CAN'T LET HIM STAY THERE, HE'LL GET ME SURE!

REALIZING THE NAZI SHIP IS A DIVE-BOMBER TIM GETS AN IDEA—



ALL RIGHT, PUNK, LET'S SEE HOW FAST YOU CAN DIVE?

AS TIM FIGURED, THE NAZI SHIP SOON CATCHES UP WITH HIM TIM PULLS UP QUICKLY AND—



HERE'S A PRESENT FOR YOU!

AS THE ENEMY SHIP PASSES BENEATH HIM, TIM RE— LEASES A BOMB!



NOW FOR HOLBERG!

MEANWHILE, BACK AT THE HOSPITAL

TIM WILL NEVER GET BACK FROM THAT RAID WITHOUT HELP! I'D CHANCE IT ALONE IF MY LEG WAS O.K.



I'LL GO TO PARIS AND GET TOM TO HELP. I HOPE NO NURSE COMES ALONG TILL I GET OUT OF HERE!



TAKE ME TO THE RITZ, PARIS, IN NOTHING FLAT!



DRESSED ONLY IN PAJAMAS AND A COAT, KERMIT CHARGES INTO THE RITZ

OUT OF MY WAY, SMALL CHANGE. BEFORE I GET MAD!



BUT, M'SIEUR

WHY, IT'S KERMIT!

HE FIGHTS HIS WAY TO TOM'S TABLE AND GIVES HIM A TONGUE LASHING

AND YOU HAVE ONLY YOUR SELF TO BLAME FOR GETTING SHOT DOWN. TIM TOOK ALL THE RISKS RESCUING US.



TIM HASN'T A CHANCE OUT THERE ALONE-IT'S UP TO US TO GO AND HELP HIM!



YOU'RE RIGHT-WE'LL HAVE TO GO TO HIS AID, COME ON, WE'VE NO TIME TO LOSE. HELEN, I'M SORRY I'VE BEEN A HEEL!



AT THE PARIS BASE, THEY PICK OUT A NEW TYPE FIGHTER

LOAD HER UP WITH GAS AND AMMUNITION, AND STEP LIVELY!

AYE, AYE, SIR!



CONTACT OUR FIELD AND ASK IF TIM HAS LEFT YET.

RIGHT!



THEY SAY HE LEFT ABOUT AN HOUR AGO! WE'VE GOT TO GO SOME TO CATCH UP WITH HIM!

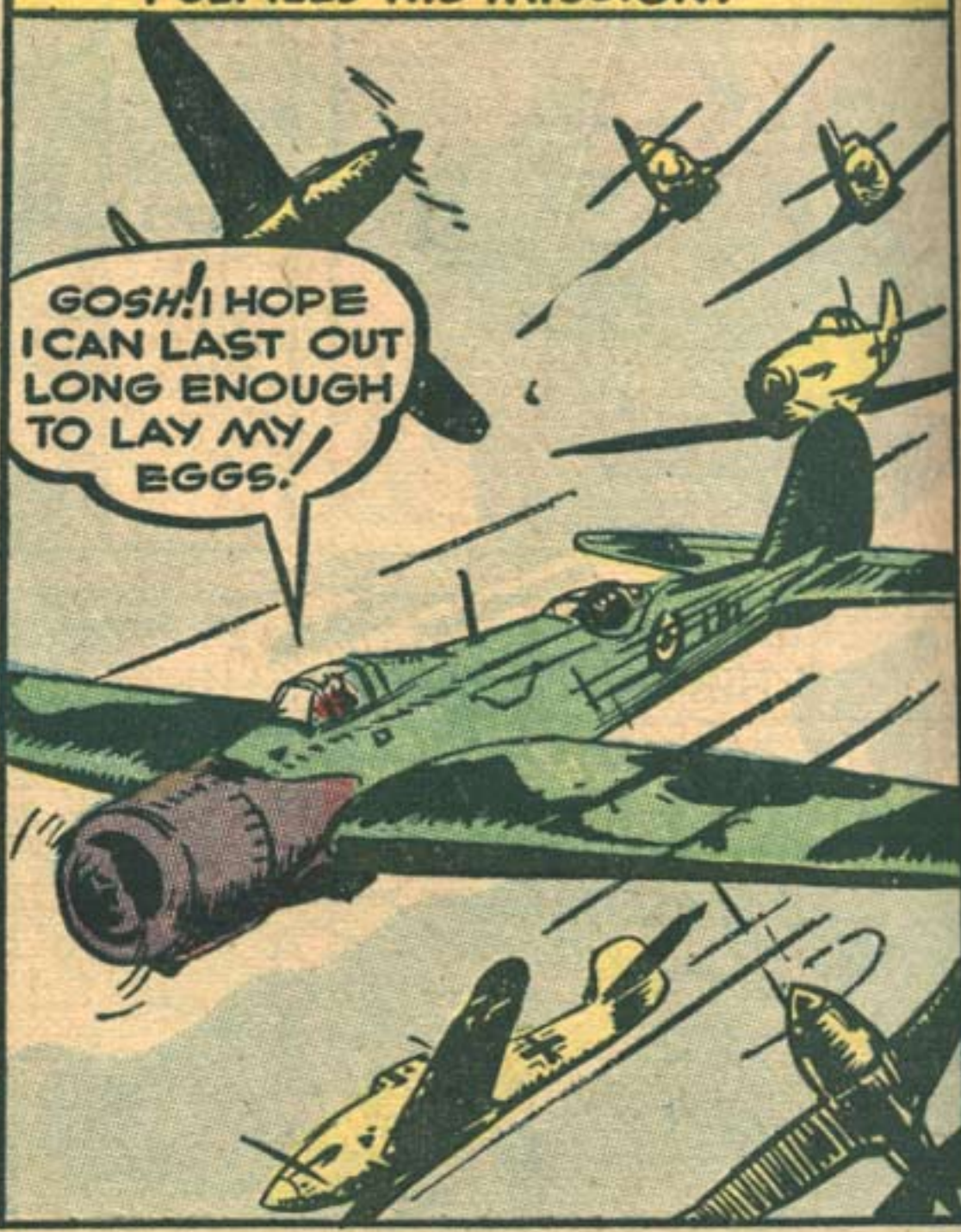


JUST BEFORE THEY GET TO HOLBURG TIM IS SIGHTED AHEAD!



THERE HE IS!  
AND THERE'S A HUN PATROL  
AFTER HIM.  
HURRY!

WITH ENEMY SHIPS BUZZING ALL AROUND HIM - IT LOOKS AS IF TIM WILL BE SHOT DOWN BEFORE HE FULFILLS HIS MISSION!



GOSH! I HOPE I CAN LAST OUT LONG ENOUGH TO LAY MY EGGS.

TOM AND KERMIT ARRIVE!



BUCK UP, TIM!  
WE'RE HERE TO HELP YOU!

TAKEN BY SURPRISE BY THE NEW ARRIVALS, THE NAZIS ARE THROWN INTO MOMENTARY CONFUSION!



ACH-MEIN HIMMEL!

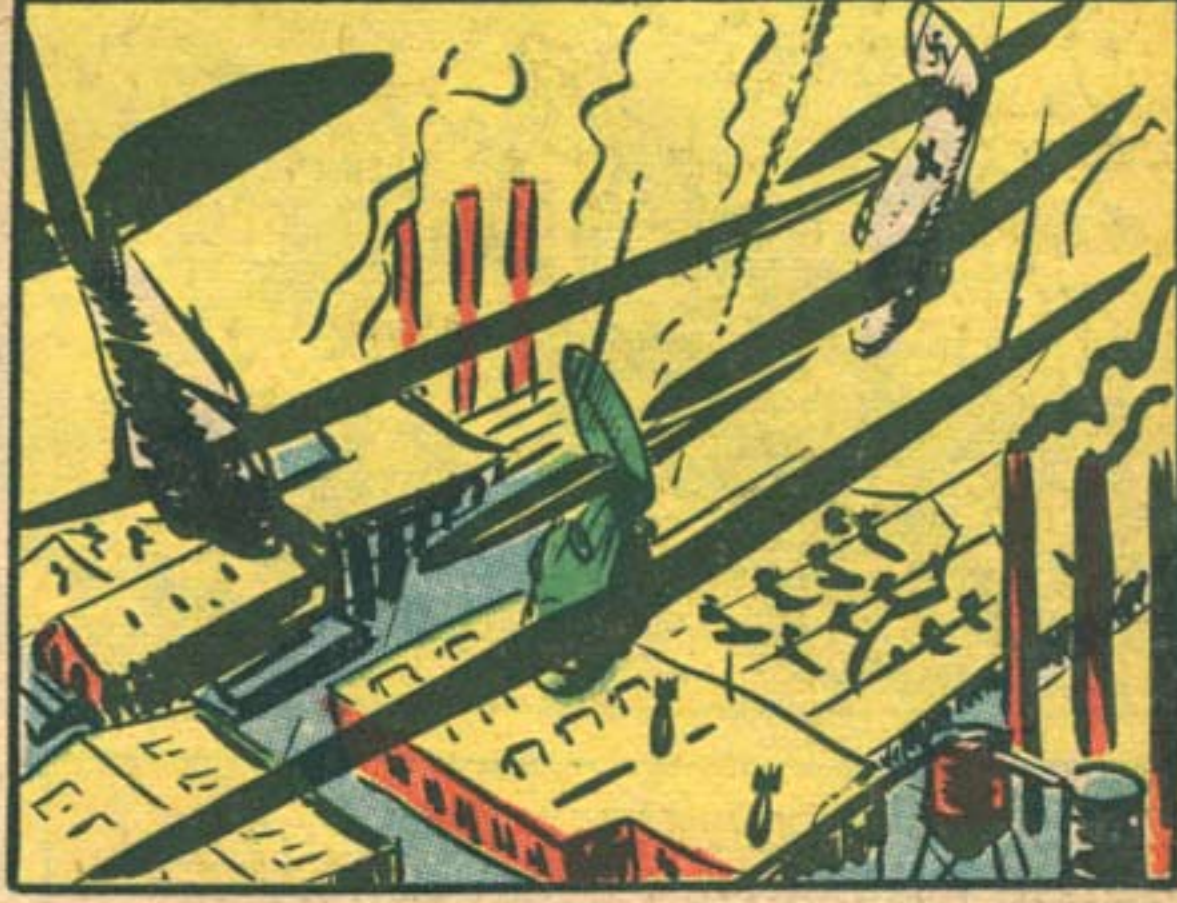


GOOD SHOOTIN KERMIT!

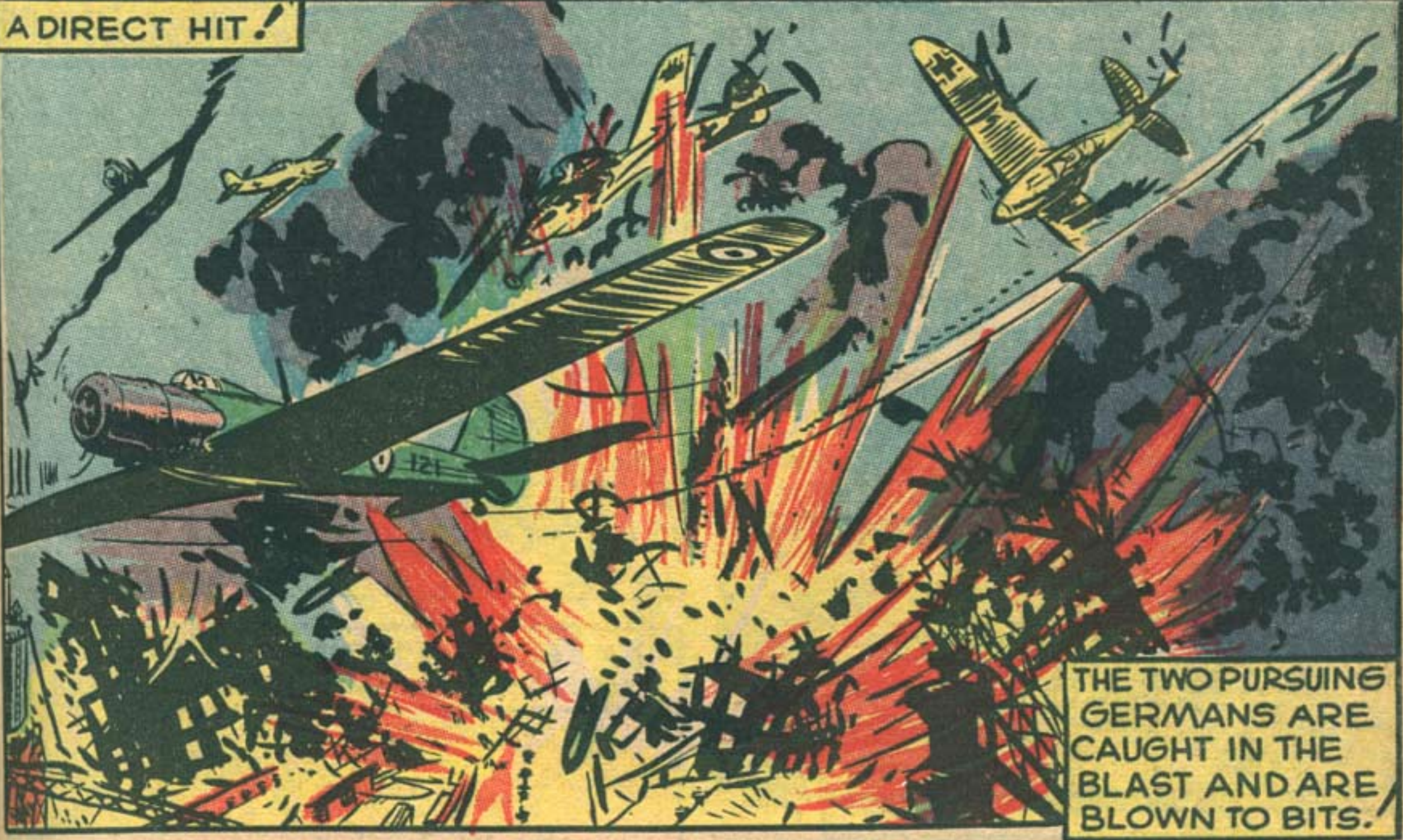
HURRY, TIM!  
GET RID OF  
YOUR BOMBS



BUT TIM IS ALREADY DIVING FOR THE  
MUNITIONS WORKS WITH TWO  
ENEMY SHIPS ON HIS TAIL!



A DIRECT HIT!



THE TWO PURSUING  
GERMANS ARE  
CAUGHT IN THE  
BLAST AND ARE  
BLOWN TO BITS.

THE  
BLAST  
SETS  
OFF  
ONE  
MAG-  
AZINE  
AFTER  
THE  
OTHER





IN NO TIME, THE GREAT FACTORY IS A SHATTERED INFERNO.



THE RAID IS CARRIED OUT SUCCESSFULLY, NOW TO ESCAPE!

FOLLOW ME, TIM! I THINK I SEE A WAY OUT.



HEADING DOWN WIND, TOM PLUNGES INTO THE VAST SMOKE COLUMN FROM THE BURNING FACTORIES!



A MADE TO ORDER SMOKE SCREEN



THEY ESCAPE FROM HOLBERG ONLY TO RUN INTO ANOTHER NAZI PATROL!

THAT WAS USING THE OLD BEAN, FELLA!



IT LOOKS LIKE SCHULTZ AND HIS PACK!



EXHAUSTED BY THE PREVIOUS FIGHT, TIM CAN'T MANEUVER HIS SHIP QUITE FAST ENOUGH—AND IS FORCED DOWN.



SO-LONG GUYS, I'M DONE FOR!



THERE'S TOO MANY OF THEM, WE ARE TRAPPED!

BRING 'ER DOWN NEAR TIM THEN!



SET FIRE TO YOUR SHIP BEFORE YOU LEAVE IT.



HURRY INTO THESE WOODS, WE MAY ESCAPE CAPTURE YET.



WHAT FOREST IS THIS?

I GUESS WE'RE LOST!



WHAT A MESS THIS IS! BUT AT LEAST WE'RE NOT PRISONERS, YET.

WHAT WILL HAPPEN TO THE TWINS AND KERMIT NOW? FOR MORE ADVENTURES OF THE DEVIL'S TWINS SEE —

ZIP COMICS

# Frontier Tamers



**T**HE main characters in this little true story of the West are a lively raccoon and a two-gun-toting devastator whose last name was Wanglin. He had a reputation as a battler of wildcats and grizzly bears.

Wanglin was not very big, that is in stature, but he possessed double-barreled efficiency, being able to whip out two six-guns on very short notice. He could shoot his way out of all arguments so he had no reasons to harbor grudges. He lived to repent his wild ways and old age found him a staid and calm resident of a thriving western city.

It was after his retirement from the open six-gun tournaments that two events happened in his life that upset him considerably. When the telephone first made its appearance in the West the early settlers, most of whom, by this time, were plenty old enough to know better, got a world of amusement by spending much money calling up everybody they could think of by long distance phone.

"Well, by ginger," one of these western characters would say to himself. "I haven't seen that onery old Bill Jones for blame near ten years, guess I'll get busy on this new-fangled telephone and wake him up."

A friend of Wanglin who we will call Tom Smith lived 150 miles away from the town where Wanglin was

a prominent citizen. One day Tom Smith took a notion to call Wanglin by phone. When he put in the call the operator at his end had difficulty in getting the name straight. So the man we call Tom Smith spelled the name out in two syllables like this: "Wang Lin." For the first time it struck Tom Smith that Wang



A two-gun devastator meets his match in a prairie 'coon.

**SHANGHAI SHERIDAN STARTS IN  
MAY ISSUE NO.5 TOP NOTCH COMICS**

Lin resembled the name of a Chinese. The operator at Smith's end asked:

"What does Mr. Wang Lin do?"

Just to be funny, Tom Smith said, "He runs a laundry."

The operator at Wanglin's end knew Wanglin very well and when she rang him she said:

"There is a long distance call from Tombstone, Arizona, from a Tom Smith for Mr. Wang Lin, who runs a laundry, but I guess he must mean you."

"Humph," said Wanglin. "That old horse thief of a Tom Smith thinks he's damn funny, doesn't he?"

The story got around and for many years they devilled old Wanglin almost to death about his honorable Chinese ancestry.

**T**O ADD to his misery Wanglin made the mistake of living long enough to attend a football game between the teams of two western colleges. The boys of one team had a lively little raccoon for a mascot. Wanglin, being a pioneer of distinction, was permitted to view the game out on the field from the sidelines. The pet raccoon intrigued him and he approached the 'coon with the idea of teasing the animal a bit. One of the boys shouted:

"You better get away from there. He'll bite you."

"You mean this little 'coon is going to bite me?" defied Wanglin, with fine scorn. "Why, son, I tame wildcats, I tackle grizzly bears with my bare hands. Why, this little 'coon could not bite anybody."

While Wanglin was speaking, he was waving his index finger in emphatic gesticulation. The 'coon sprang up suddenly and nipped Wanglin's finger and held on. Wanglin started cussing and stood swing-

ing the 'coon like the pendulum of a clock. The crowd in the grandstand went wild. Somebody pried the 'coon loose and Wanglin left the field in confusion. Wanglin, himself, later supplied a moral to the story:

"You can tame a wildcat," said Wanglin, "but once a 'coon takes hold of you he's going to hang on till hell freezes over."



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**THE SHIELD, G-MAN EXTRAORDINARY  
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# CAPTAIN VALOR



THEY'RE TRYING TO KILL THAT GIRL! COME ON, GANG, LET'S TAKE A HAND HERE.

HELP!  
HELP!

CAPTAIN VALOR, EX U.S. MARINE, AND HIS FRIENDS HAVE EARNED THE UNDYING HATRED OF CHINA'S INVADER, AS WELL AS THE ENMITY OF THE LAWLESS PIRATE LEGIONS WHO RUN ROUGHSHOD OVER THE POOR PEOPLE OF THEIR COUNTRY.

By MESHIN AND SUNDELL



WHAT THE! THEY'RE BEATING IT WITHOUT EVEN PUTTING UP A FIGHT!



YOU SAVED MY LIFE! HOW CAN I EVER THANK YOU?



IT WAS NOTHING AT ALL, BUT WHAT WAS IT ALL ABOUT?



I WAS LOOKING FOR CAPTAIN VALOR - I COME FROM THE CASTLE OF YAT SING, WHERE I LEARNED OF A PLOT TO POISON THE DRINKING WATER OF SHANGHAI - YAT SING'S MEN WERE TRYING TO PREVENT ME FROM TALKING!



YOU'VE COME TO THE RIGHT PLACE. COME ON, GANG, WE'VE GOT WORK TO DO!

LOOK, ANGIE, YOU AND RONNIE STAY HOME AND OUT OF TROUBLE. THIS IS GONNA BE A DANGEROUS JOB!

AW!

HURRY, CAPTAIN. WE HAVE NO TIME TO LOSE!



THERE'S SOMETHING ABOUT THAT DAME THAT I DON'T LIKE!



COME ON, LET'S FOLLOW 'EM!

AFTER AN HOUR OF FAST DRIVING!

WE'RE ALMOST THERE NOW. WE MUST BE CAREFUL YAT SING IS A DANGEROUS MAN!



THIS DOOR'S LOCKED. WE'LL HAVE TO FIND ANOTHER WAY TO GET IN!



SUDDENLY, FROM OUT OF NO WHERE YAT SING'S MEN SPRING TO THE ATTACK!





BUT CAPTAIN VALOR, BIG DIP AND WANG FU FIGHT TOO WELL!

NOW TO THANK YAT SING FOR THE RECEPTION COMMITTEE!

DISHONORABLE DOG! SAY UNCLE, QUICK!



LOOK! THE DOOR IS OPENING! LET'S GO IN!



NO ONE HERE! THAT DOOR DIDN'T OPEN ITSELF!

OH, WOE! IS MUCH SPOOKY!

SUDDENLY A WALL FADES AWAY, AND THE ADVENTURERS FIND THEMSELVES FACE TO FACE WITH A REGAL FIGURE!



WELCOME TO MY HUMBLE DWELLING. I AM YAT SING!



THEN I GUESS YOU'RE THE GUY WE'RE LOOKIN' FOR! LET'S GET HIM!



WOE! FLOOR IS NO MORE!

I'M AFRAID YOU'LL HAVE TO VISIT MY DUNGEON FIRST! PLEASANT TRIP, GENTLEMEN!

SWINE! THE DAY IS FAR OFF WHEN THREE SUCH FOOLS AS YOU CAN MATCH WITS WITH YAT SING!



TWO OF YAT SING'S EXECUTIONERS DESCEND INTO THE DUNGEON!



THE MASTER WANTS THEIR HEADS FOR SOUVENIRS!

MEANWHILE... ANGIE AND RONNIE HAVE FOLLOWED IN ONE OF THEIR FATHER'S CARS....



THIS IS AS FAR AS THE ROAD GOES!

THEY MUST BE IN THAT PAGODA

BACK IN THE DUNGEON CAPTAIN VALOR HAS COME TO LIFE WITH AMAZING SUDDENNESS.



I LIKE MY HEAD RIGHT WHERE IT IS, PAL!



BEFORE THE OTHER EXECUTIONER CAN MOVE, VALOR IS UPON HIM!

NOW TO GET OUT OF THIS RAT HOLE, IF I CAN!



UP ABOVE, YAT SING WATCHES!

THAT CAPTAIN VALOR IS A DOG! BUT WHAT A MAN!



MEN! BRING ROPES!





SNARE HIM WITH YOUR ROPES AND DRAG HIM UP HERE!



YOU'LL HAVE TO THROW A BETTER LOOP THAN THAT TO CATCH ME!



WILL THIS ONE DO? CAPTAIN VALOR?



WELL, AT LEAST THIS IS ONE WAY OF GETTING OUT!

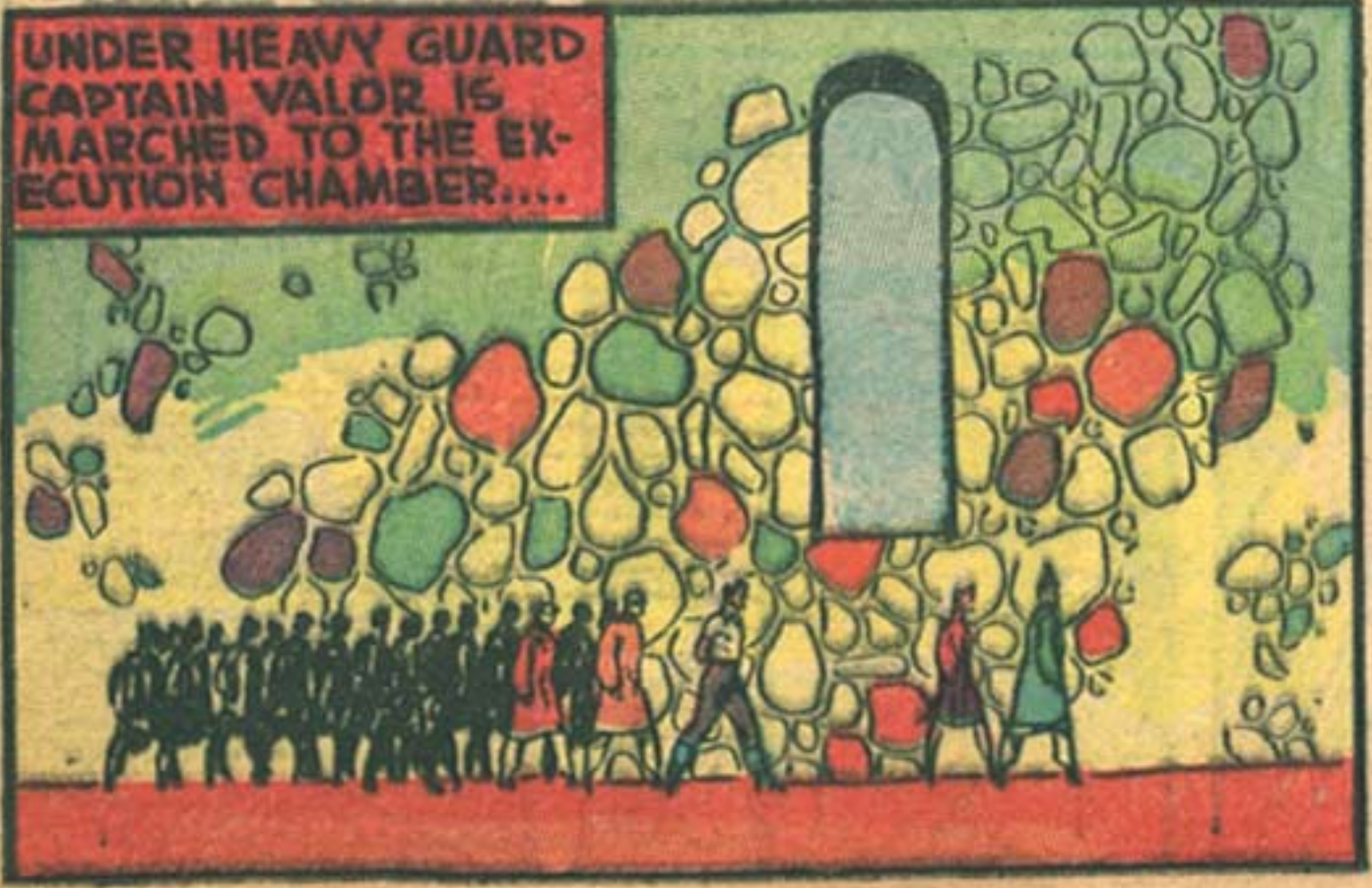


I THOUGHT THERE WAS SOMETHING PHONY ABOUT THE WAY THOSE WOULD BE MURDERERS LEFT YOU WITH ME!

I KNEW YOU WERE A CHIVALROUS FOOL



TO THE CHOPPING BLOCK WITH HIM! WE'LL TAKE CARE OF THE OTHER TWO DOGS LATER!



UNDER HEAVY GUARD CAPTAIN VALOR IS MARCHED TO THE EXECUTION CHAMBER....



....WHERE YAT SING'S AXEMAN WAITS!



I KNOW CAPTAIN VALOR IS IN DANGER— I'M SURE OF IT!

AW, ANGIE, YOU KNOW HE CAN TAKE CARE OF HIMSELF. YOU'RE JUST JEALOUS OF THAT OTHER DAME!

MEANWHILE.....ANGIE AND RONNIE HAVE SEARCHED IN VAIN FOR AN ENTRANCE INTO YAT SING'S PAGODA!

SUDDENLY



LOOK! ANGIE, A TRAP DOOR BEHIND THIS ROCK!



IT'S A TUNNEL— AND IT LEADS TOWARD THE PAGODA!

WHAT'RE WE WAITING FOR



THERE'S A DOOR! LOOKS LIKE WE FOUND A WAY IN!



OH-OH— IT'S LOCKED!

NOW WHAT DO WE DO?



I HAVE AN IDEA—

IT BETTER BE GOOD!



THERE SHE GOES!

RONNIE TELLS ANGIE OF HIS PLAN, AND TOGETHER THEY GO BACK UPSTAIRS TO THE ROCK BEHIND WHICH THE TRAP DOOR IS HIDDEN!



O.K. NOW— BOTH TOGETHER, PUSH!

IN THE DUNGEON,  
BIG DIP AND WANG  
FU RECOVER.....



WE HAD BETTER CHAIN  
THESE TWO UNTIL WE  
HEAR FROM THE MASTER!



SUDDENLY—

OH WOE, COMES  
END OF WORLD!



THAT DID IT!  
HERE'S BIG DIP  
AND WANG FU!



WHERE'S CAPTAIN  
VALOR?



IT'S THE LITTLE  
ONE! OH JOY!



YAT SING AND THE  
WHITE WOMAN TOOK  
VALOR TO THE EXECU-  
TION CHAMBER!

I THOUGHT THAT GAL WAS  
A PHONEY. NOW HOW DO  
WE GET OUT OF HERE?

MAYBE THERE'S  
A SECRET PANEL!



THE PRISONERS FRANTICALLY  
SEARCH FOR AN EXIT FROM  
THE DUNGEON!



OH, GOODY!  
IS MOVING  
THE WALL!

OH, HURRY,  
HURRY!

THIS IS THE  
WAY, LET US  
MAKE HASTE!



IF CAPTAIN VALOR  
IS HURT, THAT SLINKY  
BRUNETTE WILL  
ANSWER TO ME!





MAYBE YOU WONDER WHY I SINGLED YOU OUT FOR DEATH! THE NOBLE HOP-LUNG WHO MET DEATH AT YOUR HANDS WAS MY BROTHER! YOU MUST DIE, SO THAT HIS SOUL MAY REST!



I, TANIA, AM HIS QUARTER-SISTER. I BROUGHT YOU HERE SO THAT THE AXE MIGHT TASTE YOUR BLOOD! IT IS TOO BAD, CAPTAIN VALOR, THAT WE DID NOT MEET UNDER HAPPIER CIRCUMSTANCES!



NOW! OFF WITH HIS HEAD!

SO LONG TANIA, YOU WOULDN'T HAVE BEEN A BAD BLIND DATE!



SUDDENLY— A GUN ROARS!



AND THE EXECUTIONER TOPPLES OVER DEAD!



AND NOW, YAT SING, PLEASE BE SO KIND AS TO UNTIE CAPTAIN VALOR!



NOW I'LL GIVE THE ORDERS!

NOT SO FAST, CAPTAIN VALOR



WHAT THE! WHERE DID THIS MOB SCENE COME FROM?

YOU HAVE ESCAPED FOR JUST ONE MOMENT BUT YOU CAN NOT STAY FREE FOR LONG!



BUT CAPTAIN VALOR MAKES A SURPRISE MOVE...

I'LL STAY ALIVE AS LONG AS YOU DO! TELL THEM TO LAY DOWN THEIR GUNS OR YOU DIE

DOES CAPTAIN VALOR ESCAPE THE PAGODA OF YAT SING? READ OF HIS FURTHER ADVENTURES IN THE NEXT ISSUE OF —

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# MR. SATAN



AFTER SOLVING THE MYSTERY OF THE DISAPPEARING TRAINS, DUDLEY BRADSHAW, ALIAS MR. SATAN, PAYS A VISIT TO THE DUDE RANCH HOME OF DORIS O'DAY, THE GIRL HE RESCUED FROM THE TRAIN WRECKERS.... AS DUDLEY BRADSHAW, HE MAKES THE ACQUAINTANCE OF THE GIRL WHO HAS FALLEN IN LOVE WITH MR. SATAN!

YES, MR. BRADSHAW, THIS WAS THE WILD AND WOOLY WEST WHERE EXCITING THINGS USED TO HAPPEN.. BUT YOU WOULDN'T KNOW ANYTHING ABOUT THAT!



DORIS SPOTS A STRANGE SIGHT--

LOOK! THEY ARE CUTTING OPEN THE SIDE OF THAT DEAD STEER!



DURN THIS CRITTER, DYIN' HERE! WE GOTTA GET HIS STOMACH OUT IN A HURRY!



AS BRADSHAW AND DORIS RIDE CLOSER TO INVESTIGATE...

GET 'EM UP! AN' GET OFF THEM HORSES!

BUT...I...I...I HIRED THIS HORSE!



I SAID GET OFF!





ACCIDENTLY, ALMOST-BRADSHAW COMES OFF THE HORSE AND ATOP THE THUG!



I BETTER GET OUT OF HERE!

MAKING NO EFFORT TO TAKE THE GIRL FROM THE DESPERADOES BRADSHAW FLEES!



OH, THE COWARD! THE COWARDLY DOG!

SHUT UP! AND COME ALONG...WHAT YOU SAW ISN'T HEALTHY!

ONCE OUT OF SIGHT-- DUDLEY BRADSHAW CHANGES SUDDENLY TO MR. SATAN!



NOW TO GET BACK AND SEE WHAT'S UP!

MR. SATAN TRAILS DORIS' CAPTORS!



THERE'S A LOT MORE TO THIS THAN MEETS THE EYE / A GIRL DOESN'T GET KIDNAPPED BECAUSE SHE SEES A COW GETTING KILLED!

UNSEEN, MR. SATAN WATCHES AS THE THUGS LEAD DORIS ACROSS THE RIO GRANDE INTO MEXICO...



TAKING HER INTO ANOTHER COUNTRY-- THEY DON'T INTEND FOR HER TO COME BACK--ALIVE!

MILES BELOW THE BORDER, THE THUGS STOP AT A DESERTED RANCHERO



NOW TO SEE WHAT GOES ON! ...WHAT THE? DIAMONDS!

A STRANGE SIGHT! CORN COBS ARE CUT OPEN AND DIAMONDS ARE INSERTED--



PACK A FEW MORE COBS, AND THEN WE FEED THEM TO THE CATTLE!

**BUT MR. SATAN IS SEEN—**

**A SPY!**



**THESE BRASS KNUCKLES WILL PUT YOU TO SLEEP FOR AWHILE, FANCY PANTS !!**



**THE THUG DRAGS MR SATAN INTO A CAVE !!**

**HEY PEDRO! BRING SOME ROPE!**



**WE LEAVE THIS SHORT-HORN HERE ... WHEN WE DRIVE THE CATTLE OUT, THEY'LL TRAMPLE HIM TO DEATH!**



**DEEP WITHIN THE CAVE, THE DIAMOND FED CATTLE ARE ROUNDED UP... AND THE DRIVE BEGINS...**



**THE TRAMPING OF THE HOOFS ROUSES MR. SATAN!**

**WOW! IF ONE OF THESE BABIES STEPS ON ME, I'M DONE FOR!**



**BUT HIS PREDICAMENT SUGGESTS A DESPERATE IDEA .... AND IT WORKS!**



**REALIZING THAT THE CAVE ENTRANCE IS WELL GUARDED, MR. SATAN GETS ANOTHER IDEA!**

**I HOPE THIS STEER DOESN'T MIND TAKING ON A PASSENGER!**



THE HERD IS LED TO THE BORDER. AFTER BEING OKAYED BY THE BORDER PATROL, THEY ARE DRIVEN ACROSS THE RIO GRANDE!



UNDERWATER HERE IS A GOOD PLACE FOR ME TO GET OFF..



PRETTY SLICK WAY OF SMUGGLING DIAMONDS...ONCE ON THE AMERICAN SIDE, THEY BUTCHER THE CATTLE AND TAKE OUT THE DIAMONDS..!



NOW TO SIGNAL THE BORDER PATROL... THEY CAN ROUND UP THESE SMUGGLERS WHILE I GO BACK AND LOOK AFTER DORIS!



THE BORDER PATROLMAN SIGHTS THE SMOKE SIGNAL!

HEY! SOMEONE'S SENDING MORSE CODE IN SMOKE...IT SAYS.. "STOP HERD COMING THROUGH APACHE GAP!"



THAT MESSAGE WAS RIGHT - LOOK, A DIAMOND IN THE COW'S STOMACH!

THE BORDER PATROL TAKES NO CHANCES!





THEY'RE BURNING THE RANCHERO! MAYBE DORIS IS STILL IN THERE!



MR SATAN DASHES INTO THE ROARING INFERNO... BUT DORIS IS GONE!

AT LEAST SHE ISN'T HERE... THAT'S A GOOD SIGN... MAYBE SHE'S STILL ALIVE!



OUTSIDE... MR. SATAN FINDS TRACKS!

HORSES - TWO OF THEM, AND THEY'RE HEADED SOUTH !!



HOURS LATER....

THE TRACKS LEAD TO THAT HACIENDA...



MR SATAN CLIMBS THROUGH A WINDOW...

THIS ROOM'S EMPTY - I'LL LOOK AROUND.



OOOH-H!

SOMEBODY'S IN THERE!



DORIS! THANK HEAVEN YOU'RE ALL RIGHT!



MR. SATAN! YOU ALWAYS SHOW UP AT THE RIGHT TIME!



THE MAN WHO BROUGHT ME HERE HAS GONE TO THE BULL-FIGHT... BLOOD GETS HIM IN THE RIGHT MOOD FOR MURDER!

C'MON.. WE'VE GOT A DATE WITH A COUPLE OF COWS!



OUT OF THE WAY! WE HAVEN'T TIME ENOUGH TO GET TICKETS!

AT THE ENTRANCE OF THE ARENA...

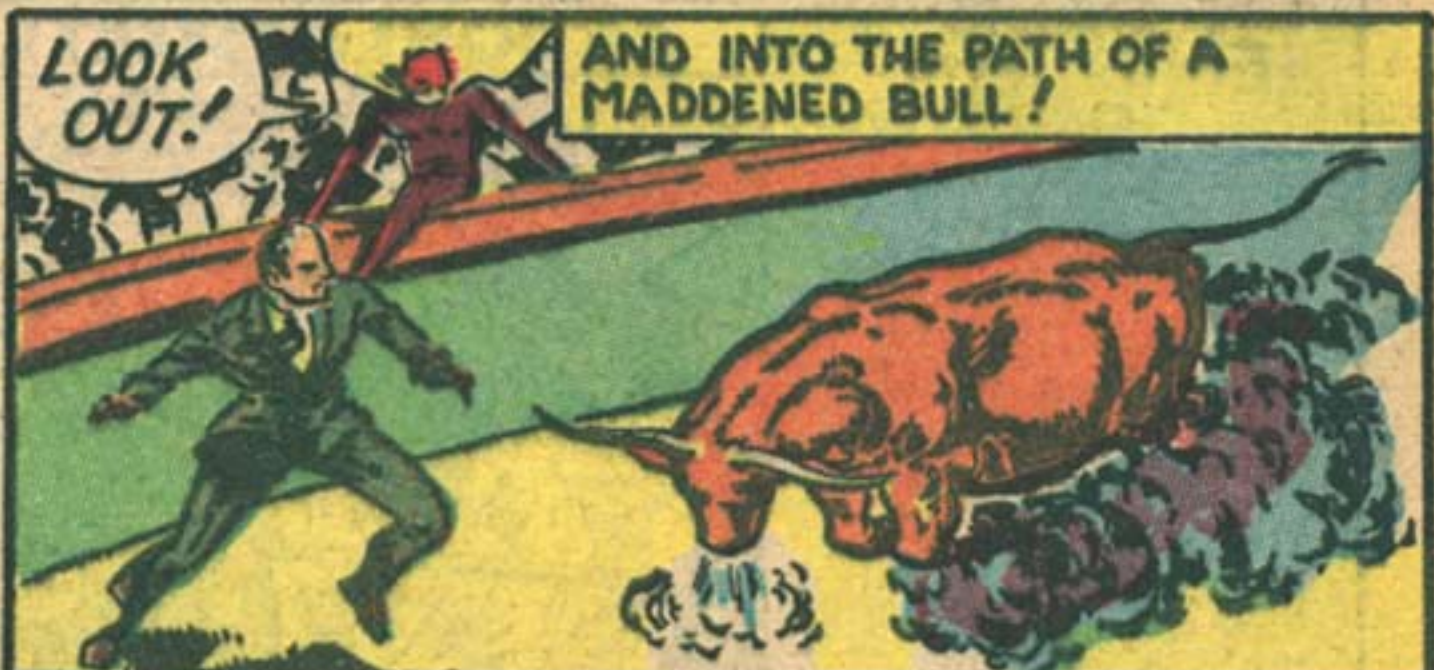


THERE HE IS!

IN ORDER TO ESCAPE, THE KIDNAPPER FLEES INTO THE BULL RING!



YOU WON'T GET ME... FANCY PANTS!



LOOK OUT!

AND INTO THE PATH OF A MADDENED BULL!



HE'S DEAD - THAT BULL SAVED THE LAWYER - HE WAS THE HEAD OF A RING OF DIAMOND SMUGGLERS WHO WERE WIPED OUT BY THE BORDER PATROL...

THAT'S TWICE THAT YOU SAVED MY LIFE! AND NOW YOU'LL DISAPPEAR AGAIN, JUST AS YOU DID BEFORE!

DORIS RETURNS TO THE RANCH WHERE DUDLEY BRADSHAW AWAITS HER!



YOU TALKED ABOUT WANTING EXCITEMENT, AND WHEN IT CAME ... WHERE WERE YOU?

I CAME BACK HERE TO GET HELP - BUT I DIDN'T THINK YOU WERE REALLY IN TROUBLE, SO I WENT TO A PARTY INSTEAD!



WELL THIS IS SOMETHING - DUDLEY BRADSHAW IS A FOOL AND A COWARD, AND MR. SATAN IS HER OWN PRIVATE HERO ... AND I'M BOTH OF THEM!

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## THE MIRACLE MAN

by E. W. Weller



BENEATH THE SEA, THE RACE OF MERMEN AND MERMAID, HAVE BEEN LIVING FOR THOUSANDS OF YEARS. NOW, THEY HAVE SENT THEIR GREAT WIZARD, MAGI, TO AMERICA, TO BRING BACK A YOUNG GIRL WHO IS THEIR LAST DESCENDANT ON EARTH!!

IF SUCCESSFUL, IT WILL GIVE THEM THE POWER TO ONCE AGAIN LIVE ABOVE WATER! -MAGI AND HIS COMPANION, TORNO, ARRIVE ON THE COAST OF AMERICA!!

WHY DO WE FIRST COME THIS WAY? THE EARTH GIRL WHO IS TO BE OUR QUEEN LIVES IN A FAR OFF CITY!

WE MUST FIRST DESTROY ZAMBINI, THE MIRACLE MAN, WHOSE ABODE IS YONDER.



-MAGI CLIMBS INTO AN OPEN WINDOW OF ZAMBINI'S HOUSE!!

I WILL HYPNOTIZE ZAMBINI INTO ETERNAL SLEEP! THEN, NO ONE WILL INTERFERE WITH OUR PLANS



MAGI ENTERS ZAMBINI'S BEDROOM AND.....

YOU'LL SLEEP..FOREVER  
.....FOREVER.....



NO! NO! NO!

YOU'LL SLEEP UNTIL SOMEONE COMES TO WAKE YOU!!

ZAMBINI'S POWERS ARE SO GREAT THAT HE FORCES MAGI TO CHANGE HIS COMMANDS!!

-AND THUS ZAMBINI IS CONQUERED!!

GOOD, IT'S DONE. FOR A MOMENT I THOUGHT I WAS GOING TO LOSE HIM!

WHAT POWER THAT MAN HAS, EVEN WHEN ASLEEP!

OUTSIDE THE HOME OF THE EARTH GIRL, WHOM THEY HAVE CHOSEN TO BE THEIR QUEEN .....

WE MUST HURRY! WE HAVE TO LEAVE BEFORE DAYLIGHT, OR WE WILL BE BLINDED BY THE SUN !!

SHE'S IN AN APARTMENT ON THE LOWER FLOOR. SHE'S TALKING TO ANOTHER GIRL.

SUDDENLY, MAGI AND TORNO APPEAR IN THE APARTMENT SHARED BY THE EARTH GIRL, MARY REED, WITH HER FRIEND, JEAN SAMPSON

SNATCH HER !!

HELP! HELP!

COME! WE HAVE COMPLETED OUR MISSION!

STOP!! DON'T TAKE HER!

LATER THAT DAY, THE POLICE ARRIVE -

-BUT, I TELL YOU, THEY CAME RIGHT THROUGH THE WALLS, AND HAD FISH FACES, AND GOLDEN CLOTHES!! THEY TOOK MARY WITH THEM AND WALKED RIGHT THROUGH THE WALLS

SHE'S CRAZY. WE'LL HAVE TO PUT HER IN A BUG-HOUSE !!

-IN THE HOME OF STANLEY HAMILTON, THE FIANCÉ OF JEAN SAMPSON - HE IS TALKING TO HIS BEST FRIEND, PAUL LLOYD.

JEAN SAYS THEY WERE DRESSED IN GOLD AND HAD FISH FACES!! WHAT CAN I DO?

ZAMBINI IS THE ONE MAN WHO CAN HELP US!

MAYBE I CAN GET THE GOLD THAT COVERS THEIR BODIES !!

THEY BANG IN VAIN ON THE DOOR OF ZAMBINI'S HOME!

NOBODY'S HOME

LET'S GO IN !!

HE IS ASLEEP !!

TOUCH HIM, AND WAKE HIM!

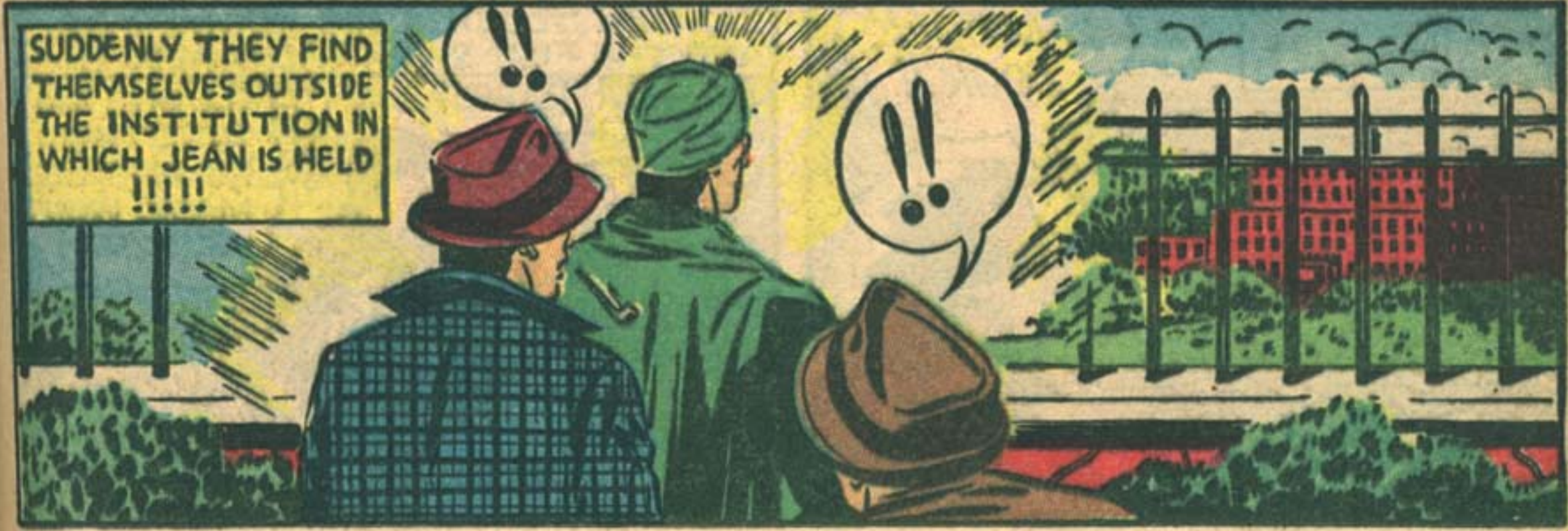
THEY AWAKEN ZAMBINI BY TOUCHING HIM, AND AFTER LISTENING TO THEIR STORY, HE ANSWERS...



I WILL HELP! FIRST I SHALL RELEASE THE GIRL !!



"TABAKE ABUS TABO THABE NABUT HABOUSE"



SUDDENLY THEY FIND THEMSELVES OUTSIDE THE INSTITUTION IN WHICH JEAN IS HELD !!!!!

!!

!!



"WABALL ABOPABEN ABUP"

JEAN! JEAN!



WITH A GESTURE, ZAMBINI REPLACES THE WALL WE WILL GO TO THE BOTTOM OF THE SEA AFTER YOUR FRIEND. - BUT PAUL IS NOT TO GO !!

BUT I INSIST ON GOING!

HE IS MY BEST FRIEND. I WANT HIM TO GO!



WE WILL ALL DROWN IF WE GO BELOW THE SURFACE !!

I'LL TAKE CARE OF EVERYTHING!



"BABUBBLE ABOF ABAIR FABORM"

!!

THEY ARRIVE IN THE VILLAGE OF THE MERMAN RACE, WHERE HOUSES ARE BUILT OF A POROUS SUBSTANCE WHICH ALLOWS WATER TO FLOW RIGHT THROUGH IT, BUT KEEPS THE FISH AND INSECTS OUTSIDE !!

NOBODY'S HERE !!

LOOK! IT'S ALL GOLD! GOLD!! WE'LL ALL BE RICH!

WE HAVE COME TO TAKE WHAT BELONGS TO US, BUT NOT TO ROB !!

I'LL GET RID OF HIM !!

WHEN SUDDENLY !!

ZAMBINI !! LOOK !!

ZAMBINI TOUCHES HIS BOOMERANG, AND THE FISH SWIM BACKWARDS !!

"RABETABURN"

I'LL GIVE HIM SOMETHING HIS INFERNAL MAGIC WON'T WORK ON!

MY! THEY'RE ALL GOING BACKWARDS !!

PAUL HAS RUN AHEAD TO HIDE IN THE HOLLOW OF A ROCK, AND AS ZAMBINI PASSES .....

WITHOUT AIR YOU DIE !!

FOOL !! ZAMBINI CAN LIVE IN WATER AS WELL AS OUT OF IT. THE AIR BUBBLES WERE NEEDED FOR YOU AND THE OTHERS. NOW YOU SHALL BE PUNISHED!

ZAMBINI TURNS PAUL'S RIGHT ARM INTO A FISH FIN !!

"ABARM CHABANGE RBINTABO FABISH FABIN"

MY ARM! LOOK WHAT YOU DID TO IT!

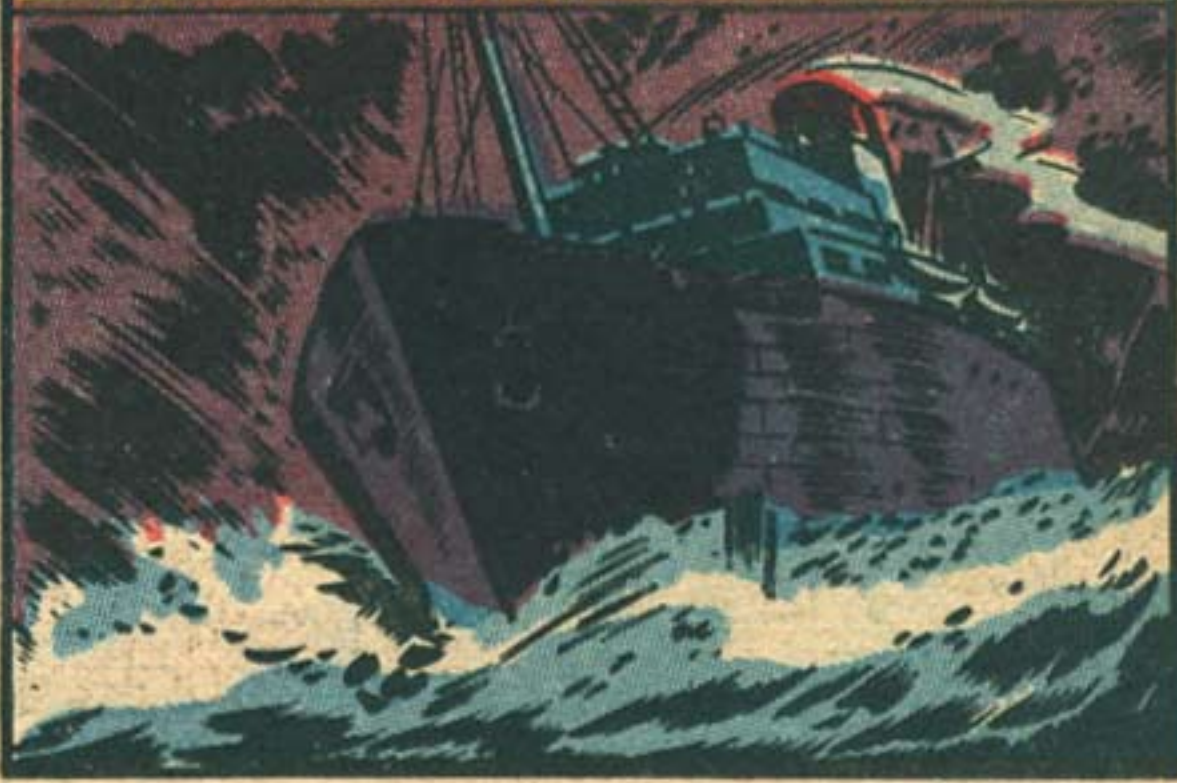
TWO MERMAN SOLDIERS APPROACH WITH A FANTASTIC GUN !!



THE MERMEN OPEN FIRE - BUT THEIR GUN CREATES WATER CURRENTS, RATHER THAN FIRING SHELLS !!



- IN THE OCEAN, DIRECTLY ABOVE .....



ZAMBINI'S MAGIC BRINGS THE SHIP BENEATH THE SEA, CUTTING OFF THE WATER CURRENTS!



"SHABIP ABABOVE CABOME DABOWN"

ZAMBINI RAISES THE SHIP ABOVE THE WATERS AND SETS IT ON ITS COURSE ONCE AGAIN !!



LOOK! THE SHIP RISES !!

I NEVER DESTROY UNLESS I HAVE TO DO SO!

COME! WE MUST HURRY AND FIND MARY. SHE IS IN DANGER !!



ZAMBINI TOUCHES HIS MAGIC BOOMERANG AMULET, AND THE CURRENTS REVERSE THEMSELVES !!



THE POPULACE HAVE GATHERED IN THE ARENA FOR A CEREMONY. THE MYSTIC RITES FOR THE CREATION OF A NEW MERMAID ARE BEING COMPLETED !!



WHEN YOU TASTE THIS POTION, YOU ARE ONE OF US!



NO! NO!  
I WANT TO GO HOME !!

YOU WILL BE ONE OF US!  
OH KING! SHE WILL BE ONE OF US!!



MAGI FIGHTS OFF, IN VAIN, THE CURRENTS ZAMBINI HAS SET IN MOTION!

STOP, WATERS, STOP!!



-WITH A GESTURE, ZAMBINI FORMS A LONG STEEL TUNNEL WHICH GOES DIRECTLY TO MARY !!

"TABUNNABEL GABO  
TABO MABARY"



-WHEN THE TUNNEL SUDDENLY APPEARS BEFORE HER, MARY FEELS A COMPELLING FORCE DIRECTING HER INTO IT, AND SHE STARTS FOR IT !!



BUT THE KING INTERFERES .....

I CAN'T!  
I CAN'T!



YOU MUST STAY!

-ZAMBINI, WITH HIS SUPERSENSITIVE MIND, SENSES THE RESISTANCE MARY IS ENCOUNTERING, AND HE SUDDENLY APPEARS BEFORE THEM !!



RELEASE HER  
SHE MUST BE PERMITTED TO LEAVE !!

HE RELEASES MARY AND RAISES HIS ARM TO STRIKE ZAMBINI!

"ABARM STABIFFABEN"



I-I CAN'T MOVE !!



-THE KING'S ARM IS MOTIONLESS!

ZAMBINI AND MARY ESCAPE THROUGH THE TUNNEL !!



MARY! WELCOME!  
WELCOME  
BACK!

JEAN!  
JEAN!

ZAMBINI MAKES THE STEEL TUNNEL DISAPPEAR AS IF IT NEVER EXISTED !!



"TABUNNABEL  
DABISABAPPABEAR"

-MEANWHILE, THE WATER CURRENTS TEAR APART THE HUGE STADIUM !!



DO SOMETHING! KILL  
HIM! I CAN'T MOVE!!

IT'S THAT DEVIL, ZAMBINI!  
HE IS THE ONLY ONE WHO CAN  
DO THIS TO ME. WE MUST SEND OUR  
MAGNETIC, ELECTRIC PROTOPLASM!

ZAMBINI'S POWER WILL NOT WORK AGAINST SOMETHING THAT HAS NOT BEEN CREATED BY THE BRAIN OF M/V/N !!



ZAMBINI'S POWERS FAIL !!



WE WILL ALL DIE!



ZAMBINI AND HIS COMPANY ARE DRAWN SLOWLY TOWARD THE PROTOPLASM!

FROM THE TOP OF A HUGE BOULDER, MAGI PREPARES TO TOSS A ROCK!



I WILL SMASH HIM WITH THIS ROCK. HE IS POWERLESS NOW !!

YES - YES,  
DO SO !!

MAGI THROWS THE ROCK, BUT ZAMBINI SEES IT IN TIME AND TOUCHES HIS BOOMERANG AMULET !!



THE ROCK SPEEDS BACK AT MAGI, AND IT TAKES ALL HIS MAGIC POWERS TO AVOID IT!!



WELL, WHERE ARE YOUR GREAT POWERS? EVEN THEY CAN'T SAVE YOU NOW!!



ZAMBINI ISN'T DONE YET!

- SUDDENLY, ZAMBINI REMEMBERS THE ELEMENTARY PRINCIPLE THAT WATER CONDUCTS ELECTRICAL MAGNETISM !!



"ABAIR FABORM"

WE'VE STOPPED MOVING TOWARDS THE HIDEOUS THING!

WHY! THERE'S AN AIR BUBBLE AROUND IT!!

LOSING THE MAGNETIC POWER WHICH HELD IT TOGETHER, IT CRUMBLES UP!!



SEE! ONCE NO WATER WAS ABOUT IT, IT LOST ITS MAGNETIC PULL!!

STUPIFIED BY WHAT HE HAS SEEN, MAGI BEGS FOR MERCY !!



OH GREAT MASTER, PLEASE SPARE US! PLEASE RESTORE TO OUR KING THE USE OF HIS ARM, AND TO HIS PEOPLE THE HOMES WHICH HAVE BEEN DESTROYED, AND FORGIVE ALL OF US !!

I FORGIVE ALL OF YOU!



"CABITY RABEBABUILD"

-AFTER THE CITY IS REBUILT.....



AND WILL YOU FORGIVE ME, TOO?

YES, EVEN YOU. WE ARE RETURNING TO AMERICA, AND YOUR ARM WILL BE RESTORED!

ZAMBINI BIDS HIS COMPANIONS FAREWELL AFTER RESTORING PAUL'S ARM.... YOU WILL NEVER BE TROUBLED AGAIN, MARY, AND YOU, PAUL, YOUR ARM



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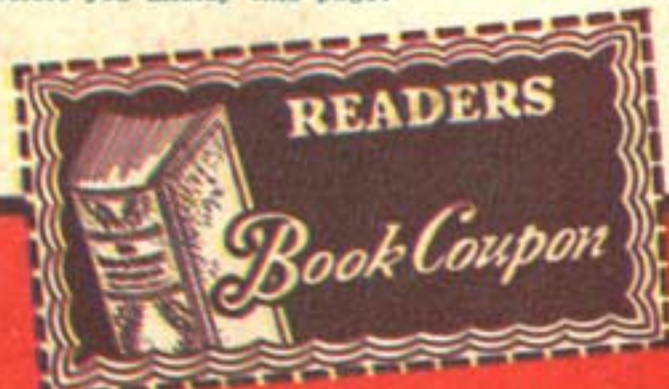
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